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# U.S. blamed for Arab stance

**WASHINGTON (JTA) —**

Israeli officials believe the U.S. delay in granting Israel guarantees for $10 billion in loans may explain why the position of the Arabs, and particularly the Palestinians, hardened during the round of peace talks that ended here last week.

"We will not rule out that the hardening stand of the Palestinians in this round was the result of perhaps an incorrect reading of what they see as the present relationship between Israel and the United States," Zalman Shoval, the Israeli ambassador to Washington, said Friday.

Shoval said the Arabs agreed last fall to negotiate with Israel only because they had finally concluded that "American support for Israel is a constant and stable factor."

While Shoval stressed he believes there has been no change in the U.S. position, he maintained that if the Arabs get even the incorrect perception that there has been one, it could wreck the prospects for peace agreements.

On the other hand, there is also a perception among the Israeli people that the United States has "given in to Arab demands" regarding settlement in the territories, since the Arabs have opposed Jewish immigration since the 1930s, Shoval said.

"I don't feel this is true at all," he added.

At the same time, Shoval was obviously pleased that a State Department official had criticized the Palestinians for public posturing rather than negotiating.

Beginning a briefing summarizing the fourth round of peace negotiations, the ambassador quipped that "part of what I had to say was taken care of by the unnamed senior administration official," who was quoted in newspapers Friday.

The official, who was identified later as Edward Djerejian, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern affairs, made his comments in a March 5 briefing for a select group of reporters.

"It seems that the Palestinians are more focused on the media, than on the negotiations," the official was quoted as saying. "The Palestinians need to do more negotiating than posturing."

During a meeting Friday with the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, Secretary of State James Baker "didn't disassociate" himself from these remarks, said Malcolm Hoenlein, the organization's executive director.

Zalman Shoval

Shoval repeated the Israeli charge that the Palestinians' written proposal for autonomy amounted to a blueprint for a Palestinian state and not for an interim arrangement of self-rule, the purpose of the present negotiations.

"A Palestinian state is the one outcome which Israel will not accept under any circumstances," he said.

He said Israel wants to negotiate self-rule for the Palestinians, but will not give up control of its own security.

On the loan guarantees, Shoval said he was concerned that it was a year since Israel had first asked the United States to guarantee the loans, which would be used to help absorb emigrants from the former Soviet republics and from Ethiopia.

Since then, not only has the need grown more acute, as thousands of immigrants pour into Israel, but the danger for Jews in the republics has increased, Shoval said.

When Israel first raised the issue of loans in March 1991, it agreed, at the Bush administration's urging, to postpone the request until September. But when September rolled around, President Bush asked for a 120-day delay to prevent the issue from interfering with the peace talks.

Now, the administration is insisting that Israel stop building Jewish settlements in the West Bank and Gaza Strip if it wants guarantees for the full $10 billion.

Shoval, who expects to have another meeting with Secretary of State James Baker soon, maintained that Israel has been "flexible" and is willing to compromise within his government's "principles and ideology."

But he emphasized that he is not participating in the current negotiations between the administration and Congress on the loans. Unless Congress approves the loans by March 31 as part of the foreign aid bill, Israel might have to wait another year for the U.S. guarantees.

"If there is a compromise, Israel will have to see whether it can live with that or not," Shoval said.

But he added: "There may be a point beyond which no Israeli government, left, right or centre, would be able to go." He did not elaborate on this, but indicated it has to do with Israel's security.

Nevertheless, the ambassador expressed confidence that an agreement would be reached. "I have not given up hope," he said.

**MENACHEM BEGIN**

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**Former Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin after his electoral triumph in 1977. (See stories, pages 4 and 5.)**

# Hezbollah accused of Turkish bombing

**TEL AVIV (JTA) —**

Israeli authorities are reported to be blaming Hezbollah for the murder of Ehud Stock-Sadan, security chief at the Israeli Embassy in Ankara, Turkey, who was killed when his booby-trapped car exploded Saturday.

The body of the 37-year-old former police officer, the father of three children, was returned to Israel on a special flight Sunday.

The bomb blast was so powerful it created a 16-inch crater under the car. Six other cars were damaged and windows shattered in the vicinity, an area where many foreign diplomats live.

Three Turkish people were wounded, including a 9-year-old boy, a 20-year-old taxi driver and a third person whose wounds were so extensive as to render the victim unrecognizable.

Although the Islamic Jihad Organization and the Islamic Revenge Organization both claimed responsibility for the Ankara assassination, Israeli officials are inclined to hold Hezbollah responsible, or a group linked to it, the Israeli daily *Ha'aretz* reported Sunday.

The motive, they say, is continuing revenge for Israel's killing of Hezbollah leader Sheik Abbas Musawi and his family in southern Lebanon on Feb. 16.

The attack took place two days after full diplomatic ties between Israel and Turkey were established. On March 5, Uri Gordon, Israel's ambassador to Ankara, presented his credentials to Turkish President Turgut Ozal.

Turkish-Israeli relations, until now held to the consular level, were formally consecrated only after the Palestinian representative in Ankara presented his credentials, becoming, according to a report in *The Turkish Daily News*, "the first ambassador of the Palestinian state to Ankara."

Turkey's Cabinet announced in December that it was going to establish full diplomatic ties with both Israel and "Palestine." But the Turkish Foreign Ministry denied there was any linkage between the two ceremonies.

Last week, the Palestinian representative, Fouad Yaseen, attended a reception in Ankara given by Turkish Chief Rabbi David Asseo.

Yaseen said he had come to show that "the Palestinians are not hostile to Jews everywhere," but only to "the Israelis occupying Palestinian lands."

Israeli authorities believe Hezbollah does not consider its account with Israel settled and will attempt other acts of violence against Israelis abroad, *Ha'aretz* said.

# BB joins Rudolph case

**TORONTO —**

A Federal Court judge has given B'nai Brith's League for Human Rights the green light to take part in the judicial review of the Arthur Rudolph immigration case.

Judge Arthur Stone has ruled that the League can participate as an intervener in the review, which is scheduled for April 8.

Rudolph is a former Nazi rocket scientist who attempted to enter Canada in July 1990. An immigration hearing ruled that as operations director of the V-2 rocket factory during World War II, he employed forced labor and was involved in war crimes and crimes against humanity. He was refused entry into Canada.

Rudolph's lawyer, Barbara Kulaszka, is appealing that decision.

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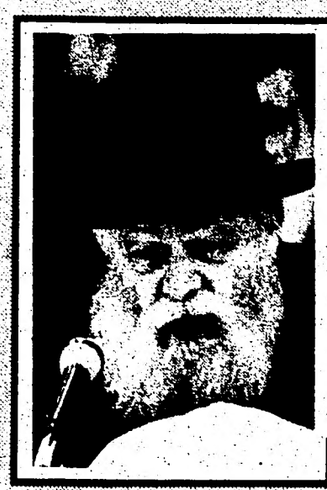


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## Canada

# 'Mr. JIAS' says goodbye after 28 years

By
RON CSILLAG

**TORONTO —**

Ask Maurice Benzacar what his last job title was at Jewish Immigrant Aid Services of Canada's Toronto office prior to his retiring recently, and he has an uncharacteristically immodest reply: "Mr. JIAS."

But he's right.

Throughout his 28 years at the agency, there isn't much Benzacar hasn't done. On Jan. 31, the 59-year-old immigrant settlement worker par excellence took early retirement and today reflects on one of the most important yet unsung careers in the city's Jewish community.

Apart from his work at JIAS, Benzacar has been a leading voice in Canada's Sephardi community and has found time over the years for a variety of other causes, namely, the United Jewish Appeal, the Loan Cassa (now Toronto Jewish Assistance Services) and Canadian Jewish Congress.

Or as Benzacar likes to point out: "I always wore two hats: as a lay leader and a Jewish civil servant. I know both sides."

Few know the city's Jewish immigrant landscape better. Throughout his years at JIAS, Benzacar oversaw the great waves of Jewish immigration to Toronto. He estimates he helped settle over 15,000 Jewish emigres from the Soviet Union, South America, Eastern Europe, North Africa, Ethiopia, Iran and even India.

That means it was Benzacar most new Jewish immigrants first saw upon arrival here. He would greet them at the airport and then start the long process of acclimatization — finding jobs, schools and apartments; securing financial assistance if needed, dealing with bureaucratic red tape and generally acting as the person new Canadians could call for help.

As well, it was his job, as he puts it, "to make Jews out of them." That meant enrolling newcomers in Judaica classes and synagogues.

There's little doubt Benzacar will be missed.

"He was more than a fixture around here," says Perry Romberg, the agency's Toronto director. "He was scrappy and he got the job done. If he said he would get you a refrigerator, you'd have one soon."

Adds Romberg, "some of the best staffers are those who have gone through the immigration process themselves."

Indeed, one reason Benzacar may have excelled at his job was his own immigrant experience.

In 1957, a 25-year-old Benzacar, his wife Elise and year-old son James arrived in Toronto from Casablanca, Morocco. There were only a handful of Sephardim here then and many Ashkenazim, unaccustomed to French-speaking Jews, often confused Morocco with Monaco.

"The community was not prepared for us," he recalls. "We were well-versed in Hebrew but we didn't speak Yiddish. We were regarded as strange.

"But to me, a Jew was always a Jew. I didn't know there were any differences until I came to this country."

The francophone family was steered to the city, he says, by JIAS's global parent, Hebrew Immigrant Aid Services (HIAS) in an effort to bolster Toronto's Jewish population, which was then smaller than Montreal's.

Benzacar found work as a dairy salesman but almost immediately began volunteering for JIAS, then a shoestring operation on Beverley Street, to aid fellow Sephardim trickling into Toronto.

Maurice Benzacar

Only a year into his new life, Benzacar and a handful of other Moroccans helped found Magen David Congregation, then in a small house on Viewmount Avenue. Benzacar was instrumental in moving the synagogue to its current location on McAllister Road. He served as its president from 1977 to 1984, just one year after the congregation paid off its $500,000 mortgage.

In 1964, he was invited to join the staff at JIAS as a case worker. In the ensuing years, Benzacar did it all, including a brief stint as acting executive director. But his strength came to be in immigrant settlement.

Now, he's fond of telling the story of how so many of the people he helped settle in jobs and businesses have prospered and taken their place in the community.

"I consider myself a farmer," he says. "[illegible]nted the seeds."

As he did within Toronto's now 7,000-strong Sephardi community. In 1987, Benzacar was installed as president of the Canadian Sephardi Federation, succeeding the late Leon Oziel.

Today, he's a vice-president of Or Haemet Sephardic School and was a prime mover behind the opening a year ago of the Sepharade Centre at Bathurst and Steeles.

These days find Benzacar busy unpacking boxes of plaques, accolades, letters of thanks and honors he's received over the years.

"I'm still pretty young," he says. "I'm going to relax, maybe go to Israel. Then, I'd like to go into fundraising."

# Registration opens for CJC plenary

**TORONTO —**

More than 1,000 delegates from across the country will convene at Toronto's Regal Constellation Hotel May 20 to 24 for the 23rd National Plenary Assembly of Canadian Jewish Congress.

Registration is now underway through the CJC regions of Quebec, Ontario, Atlantic, Manitoba, Alberta, Pacific and Saskatchewan and the National Capital District in Ottawa. Early-bird fees have been set at $100 for delegates and observers and $50 for youth (25 and under) and senior citizens (65 and over). These fees rise after May 1 to $125 and $65 respectively.

Confronting the Future — Let Your Voice Be Heard is the theme for this plenary, which coincides with CJC's 73rd anniversary. The assembly is being chaired by Carol Kassel.

Plenary is the highest decision-making body within CJC. It is held every three years, alternating between Toronto and Montreal. During the 22 previous assemblies, CJC leadership has dealt with such vital concerns as the prosecution of hate-mongers, war criminals, refugee immigration, war relief funds, the saving and bringing to Canada of war orphans, the founding of the State of Israel, Sephardi-Ashkenazi relations, Jewish education, the Soviet Jewry movement, multiculturalism and constitutional rights.

The upcoming Plenary Assembly will take place over the course of five days. It will feature the participation of a number of high profile speakers including Six Day War central front commander Uzi Narkiss, World Jewish Congress president Edgar Bronfman, Secretary of State for External Affairs Barbara McDougall, Minister of Multiculturalism and Citizenship Gerry Weiner, pollster Martin Goldfarb, Judge Rosalie Abella, Jerusalem Institute on Public Policy head Daniel Elazar, University of Haifa's Gabi Ben-Dor, NDP MP Dave Barrett and Federal Crown prosecutor Christopher Amerasinghe. More names will be confirmed in the weeks leading up to the event.

The opening night will focus on the Six Day War and the reunification of Jerusalem: 25 years later, and a celebration of Sepharad '92.

The many plenums and forums will focus on a myriad of subjects of interest to Canadian Jewry. In addition there will be a wide array of activities planned.

As the source and centre of all CJC authority, resolutions and policy enacted at the National Plenary Assembly are binding upon Congress. The CJC constitution ensures true representation from all segments of Canadian Jewry at the plenary. Local, regional and organizational representatives provide diverse perspectives on issues of concern and ensure the widest possible participation in determining the future policies and programs of CJC.

Plenary has many purposes: to sensitize delegates to issues of concern to the Jewish community; to analyze and deliberate on all matters affecting our status and welfare; to identify priorities and determine the most appropriate responses to the challenges facing Canadian and World Jewry.

The event also serves as a vehicle to revitalize the national leadership. Delegates vote for a CJC president and a corps of national officers who are elected for a three-year mandate to implement plenary resolutions and to carry on the political affairs of the Jewish community of Canada.

To become a delegate one must either be nominated by an organization in the Jewish community or submit his or her name to the CJC office in the region prior to the local regional council meeting, which is required to be held no later than April 20. Once the regional office confirms this person is in good standing with the local United Jewish Appeal campaign, or its equivalent, the name will be submitted to the regional council for approval.

"Participate as a delegate or an observer," says Kassel. "But participate and let your voice be heard. That is the most important thing. We must all confront the future together."

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# Wilson, Nissim to discuss enhancing trade relations

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —

For the first time in 10 years, Israeli and Canadian government ministers will meet in a joint economic committee (JEC) to discuss enhancing trade relations between the two countries.

The meetings between Israel's Industry and Trade Minister Moshe Nissim and Canada's International Trade Minister Michael Wilson will take place between March 26 and April 1 during Nissim's visit to Canada, said Benjamin Noy, the Toronto-based Israel trade commissioner and consul for economic affairs.

Technological co-operation forums in Montreal and Toronto as well as a luncheon in Toronto hosted by the Canada-Israel Chamber of Commerce are also on Nissim's agenda, he said. Wilson is scheduled to deliver the keynote address at the luncheon.

Nissim, who also serves as deputy prime minister, will visit Toronto, Montreal and Ottawa during his stay. He will address the representatives of 30 Israeli companies and a like number of Canadian businessmen at technological co-operation forums in Toronto and Montreal.

Moshe Nissim

The minister is expected to outline some of the recent steps taken by the Israeli government to boost investment. Among them are grants for capital investment, government-guaranteed loans of up to 66 percent of the investment, tax incentives and the removal of bureaucratic red tape, Noy said.

With the massive influx of Jews from the former Soviet Union, many of them highly educated, the government is moving to create jobs for them by pushing for international ventures, Noy said.

Following several days in Toronto and Montreal, Nissim will travel to Ottawa for the JEC talks. Trading partners commonly hold JEC meetings every two or three years, but there hasn't been an Israeli-Canadian meeting since the 1982 Lebanon war, Noy said.

In his meeting with Wilson, Nissim plans to discuss means of continued co-operation between Canada and Israel corporations, the issue of market access and the continuing Arab boycott. Israel would like Canada to use its good relations with Arab states to urge suspension of the boycott as a confidence-building measure during the peace negotiations, Noy said.

Israel has already offered to begin talks aimed at free trade, but Canada has turned that request down. "Free trade is now a dirty word in Canada," Noy said.

The potential for trade between Canada and Israel is high, the trade commissioner said. In 1991, the two countries did only $250 million in business. About $137 million of that consisted of Canadian exports to Israel, a small fraction of Canadian trade and of Israel's $18 billion in imports.

Noy noted that Nissim's lengthy visit to Canada during the Israeli election campaign "shows the importance he pays to promoting trade between Israel and Canada."

# Shaareh Haim reduces debt to allow shul to stay open

By
RON CSILLAG

RICHMOND HILL —

A restructuring agreement between the Royal Bank of Canada and Shaareh Haim Synagogue will whittle the shul's debt from $4.8 million to $2 million.

The deal means both the synagogue and a United Synagogue Day School (USDS) campus housed in the shul will remain open and viable, those involved say.

The synagogue was in danger of closing Feb. 20 for lack of operating funds.

Synagogue officials have been tight-lipped about the agreement. All they concede is that the shul has staved off bankruptcy and will remain fully functioning.

A statement from Shaareh Haim says a financial restructuring agreement with the bank "will enable the synagogue to move forward with United Synagogue Day School and other Conservative congregations."

The goal of the deal is to leave Shaareh Haim with a "serviceable" debt of $2 million, USDS president Ira Schecter told *The CJN*.

Schecter said the plan calls for USDS to contribute $1.5 million and for Toronto's Conservative congegations to kick in $500,000

The Royal Bank, which agreed to the plan, has written off $800,000 from the shul's original $4.8 million mortgage, leaving a mortgage of $2 million, Schecter said.

## *USDS to spearhead collection*

Last week, leaders of Metro's 14 Conservative congregations met and agreed to the contribution to help save Shaareh Haim, he said. Two synagogues — Beth Tzedec and Beth Sholom — agreed to the plan immediately, he added.

Schecter said USDS will "spearhead" the collection from the Conservative community.

He stressed that the contribution by USDS will not boost tuition fees for its 600 students, a third of whom attend the Shaareh Haim campus.

A letter to that effect has gone out to parents, he said.

The money from USDS will come from its growth and development campaign and from "past, present and future fundraising efforts."

He said the plan "guarantees the viability of Shaareh Haim and of USDS in perpetuity. The cloud of uncertainty has been lifted."

The proposal was put to Shaareh Haim's membership in December, which approved it by a 92 percent margin, he said.

*The CJN* was unable to reach Shaareh Haim president Sheldon Rotman last week.

Niki Parker, executive director of United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism, Ontario Region, said the umbrella organization is asking all Conservative synagogues in Metro to "stand behind" Shaareh Haim.

# Anti-Jewish letters banned

TORONTO —

Revenue Canada Customs and Excise has banned the importation of written material that accuses Jews of poisoning non-Jews and of being responsible for many serious medical conditions.

The ban involves a letter that had been mailed to Ottawa-area electronics research and development firms as well as the Carleton University School of Business, said Ian Kagedan, head of government relations for the League for Human Rights (LHR) of B'nai Brith Canada.

Kagedan, who has been tracking the letters, said they originate with Rose Mokry, a woman in her late 50s who has been handing out such material in New York City for several years.

According to the Anti-Defamation League, the LHR's U.S. sister organization, Mokry immigrated to the United States from Czechoslovakia via Austria in the mid-1960s. Kagedan said Mokry appears to be "a loner" who is unaffiliated with U.S. racist groups. "It appears to be a personal mission," he said.

The most recent tract sent by Mokry to Canada begins: "The Jews are bestial professional poisoners," Kagedan said. It goes on to allege an international Jewish conspiracy to poison non-Jews, and even lists Hitler as an agent of Jewish "poisoners."

Revenue Canada spokesman Diana Adams said the Prohibited Importation Unit quickly determined the material was hate literature and it has contacted regional Customs offices to put them on alert about it. But trying to prevent its importation to Canada (it was mailed in a plain white envelope) will be "like trying to find a needle in a haystack," she said.

Kagedan said that despite the difficulties of stopping the letter, "I think it's important that Customs labels it hate propaganda. That sensitizes the public to the issue that hate literature is a serious problem."

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## Menachem Begin

# Peace with Egypt Begin's legacy

By
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Menachem Begin was a towering, if controversial, figure in Israeli politics.

He was prime minister for slightly more than six years, a consummate politician who signed Israel's first — and thus far only — peace treaty with an Arab adversary, and broke the Labor party's monopoly on power.

But Begin left a bitter legacy with Israel's 1982 invasion of Lebanon — which ultimately claimed the lives of more than 600 soldiers and deeply divided the nation.

Doubtless, Begin's chief accomplishment was the 1979 peace treaty with Egypt, the most powerful and influential country in the Arab world. By forging peaceful links with Egypt, Begin shattered a psychological barrier that had totally isolated Israel in the region.

Begin recognized Anwar Sadat's desire to end Egypt's wasteful confrontation with Israel. And so he instructed his foreign minister, Moshe Dayan, to offer Egypt sweeping territorial concessions in the Sinai in exchange for a real peace agreement.

By offering to withdraw from Sinai, Begin enraged and alienated Israeli maximalists (like Yuval Ne'eman and Geula Cohen of the Tehiya party.) But in keeping faith with his assumption that Egypt was ripe for peace, Begin greatly contributed to what is probably the most important achievement in the annals of Middle East diplomacy.

The treaty has produced a "cold peace." Nevertheless, it has endured — providing a framework for Arab-Israeli peace and co-operation, and neutralizing Egypt's potential military threat.

While gradually yielding Sinai, Begin consolidated Israel's grip on the West Bank, Golan Heights and Gaza Strip. He more than tripled the number of Israeli settlements in the territories, and as a result, critics said, set back the chances of reaching an equitable settlement with the Palestinian Arabs (whom he referred to as "the Arabs of Eretz Yisrael").

In the realm of domestic politics, Begin brought the Herut/Likud bloc to the pinnacle of power. From 1949 until 1977, the Labor party ruled Israel practically like a fiefdom, never expecting to lose an election to Begin, whom David Ben-Gurion and the powers-that-be in Labor circles loathed and branded as a fascist.

Although he was of Ashkenazi origin, an austere and formal Polish Jew, Begin appealed to the mass of Sephardi voters. He and his campaign manager, Ezer Weizman, are credited with having engineered Likud's 1977 election triumph, and with having established Likud as a formidable political force.

The 1982 Lebanon War, which Begin characterized as "a war of choice," proved to be his undoing. Begin claimed that the Israel Defence Forces would not advance further than 40 kilometres north of the Lebanese border. But within days of launching the invasion, the second into Lebanon since 1978, the IDF was at the gates of Beirut.

It was ultimately a costly operation, with a murky outcome. It lasted far longer, and inflicted greater casualties, than Begin had ever anticipated. And the Sabra and Shatilla massacre, perpetrated by Israel's Lebanese Phalanage ally against Palestinian refugee camp dwellers, gave Israel a black eye in internal and external public opinion.

What's more, the war failed to permanently dislodge the PLO from southern Lebanon, enhanced Syria's role in Lebanese politics and sparked the assassination of Bashir Gemayel, Israel's main ally in Beirut.

Finally, the war and its aftermath offended the Shi'ites, the largest and potentially the most influential ethnic group in Lebanon. Indeed, Israel's occupation of Lebanon gave rise to Hezbollah (the Party of God), a determined enemy.

Begin promoted and nurtured strategic co-operation with the United States, but he also shook the foundations of Israel's friendship with Washington.

The Lebanon War, the bombing of Iraq's nuclear reactor and the annexation of the Golan Heights caused tremendous strains with the Reagan administration. Only in the last year of his life did he have the satisfaction of seeing his strike against the Iraqi Osiris reactor praised, in the light of revelations about Saddam Hussein's nuclear weapons program.

Begin's handling of the economy was less than successful. Upon his resignation in 1983, inflation was raging, the foreign debt was climbing and Israel was living far beyond its means.

With time, the passions aroused by Begin, the only Israeli to win the Nobel Peace Prize, had faded. In their place remained, in the words of the *Jerusalem Post's* tribute, "the memory of a decent man who wished only well for his people."

Menachem Begin as leader of the underground Irgun Zvai Leumi.

Begin and Egyptian president Anwar Sadat at their 1981 summit at Sharm el-Sheikh.

# Menachem Begin laid to rest next to his beloved Aliza

Menachem Begin, Israel's prime minister from 1977 to 1983, died Monday in Tel Aviv after heart surgery. He was 78.

He was buried in Jerusalem, in a simple ceremony on the Mount of Olives, next to his beloved wife, Aliza, who died on Nov. 13, 1982.

When Aliza, a chronic asthmatic, passed away, Begin was devastated. They had been married for 43 years in an extremely close, loving union. Informed of her death during a visit to the United States, Begin rushed back home to attend her funeral.

Observers believe that her death, together with the high casualties Israel sustained in the 1982 Lebanon War, broke Begin's will to govern. When he announced his decision to step down, Begin said, "I can't go on."

After turning over the mantle of authority to his foreign minister, Yitzhak Shamir, Begin turned inward, becoming a recluse. Apart from visiting his wife's grave annually and giving an occasional radio interview, Begin did not make public appearances. He was last seen in public in October, when he celebrated his granddaughter's wedding in Tel Aviv.

Begin is survived by one son, Benjamin, a Likud member of Knesset, and two daughters, Hassia and Leah. At the family's request, the Israeli government did not hold a state funeral for Begin.

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Begin was born in Brest-Litovsk on Aug. 13, 1913, when it was still part of the Russian empire and had not yet been incorporated into Polish territory. He was the third and last child of Ze'ev Dov and Hassia Begin, a traditional Jewish couple.

In pre-war Poland, Begin was an activist in the Betar youth organization, which demanded a Jewish state, by force if necessary. He was a disciple of Betar's militant and charismatic founder, Vladimir Ze'ev Jabotinsky. "The greatest influence in my life I attribute to Jabotinsky," he would write. "I learned the doctrine of Zionism from him."

Like Jabotinsky, Begin was a Zionist Revisionist, believing that Jews had a historic and religious right to Eretz Yisrael, the Land of Israel, on both sides of the Jordan River.

In pre-war Poland, Begin was a Betar organizer as well as a law student at Warsaw University, which rigorously limited Jewish enrollment. With the German invasion of Poland in September 1939, Begin and his new bride fled to Lithuania where, in 1941, he was arrested by the Soviet secret police. He was sentenced to eight years imprisonment in a gulag, a labor camp, accused of being "an element dangerous to society."

## *Herut leader*

But after several months, he was released to join Gen. Wladysalw Anders' Free Polish Army, which made its way to Palestine to fight the Germans. Begin reached Palestine — a British mandate since the early 1920s — in 1942.

He assumed command of the Irgun Zvai Leumi (National Military Organization) and built it into a fighting force feared by the British. In 1944, the Irgun declared war on the Madatory Government, launching a series of attacks on British installations culminating with the bombing of the King David Hotel in Jerusalem in 1946. The explosion killed 91 people, including 28 Britons, 41 Arabs and 17 Jews. The King David was targeted because it housed the headquarters of Britain's administration in Palestine. Begin became a hunted man, with a price on his head.

The Irgun fought alongside the Haganah during the War of Independence. In April 1948, in one of the most controversial episodes of the war, Irgun fighters attacked the Arab village of Deir Yassin, killing some 250 Arabs.

The June 1948 *Altalena* incident would also haunt the Irgun. The *Altalena*, a ship carrying arms and ammunition for the Irgun, was sunk off the coast of Tel Aviv on Prime Minister David Ben-Gurion's orders, and a possible civil war was averted.

After the war, Begin settled into his position as founder and undisputed leader of the Herut party. He took Ben-Gurion to task for not having conquered the West Bank, and he railed against Israel's reparations agreement with West Germany.

On the eve of the 1967 Six Day War, Begin accepted Prime Minister Levi Eshkol's invitation to join a national unity government. In his first taste of power, he served as minister-without-portfolio. He bolted in June 1970, following Prime Minister Golda Meir's decision to accept a cease-fire with Egypt along the war-ravaged Suez Canal front and an American proposal to start peace negotiations with the Arabs under the auspices of United Nations mediator Gunnar Jarring. Begin warned of "a Middle Eastern Munich."

Begin formed Israel's first right-wing government after Likud's electoral triumph in May 1977. In November of that momentous year, he welcomed Anwar Sadat, the Egyptian president, who came to Jerusalem at Begin's invitation.

Two years of tough negotiations, aided by American diplomacy, yielded the 1978 Camp David Accords and the 1979 Israel-Egypt peace treaty.

For their efforts in the Camp David peace process, Begin and Sadat were awarded the Nobel Prize for Peace. But Begin alienated ultra right-wing Israelis, who charged that he had abandoned his beliefs in Eretz Yisrael.

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# 1913-1992

A l'chaim in Canada.

Aliza Begin accompanied her husband to Canada.

Three leaders: Anwar Sadat, Jimmy Carter, Menachem Begin.

# Likud leader a controversial figure

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Nevertheless, Israel more than tripled the number of settlements in the territories during Begin's tenure as prime minister.

In 1977, when a British correspondent based in Israel asked Begin how he would like to be remembered, he replied: "As the man who set the borders of Eretz Yisrael for all eternity."

Begin, however, did not consider the Sinai Peninsula part and parcel of the Land of Israel. Under the terms of Israel's peace treaty with Egypt, Israel withdrew the last of its soldiers from Sinai in April 1982.

In June 1981, the Israeli air force attacked, and levelled, Iraq's nuclear reactor near Baghdad. Begin vehemently defended the raid, saying that Iraq was building a nuclear device.

In December of the same year, Israel annexed the Golan Heights. Both actions triggered a row with the United States, Israel's chief ally and benefactor.

After the Israeli ambassador in Britain was shot and wounded by an assassin affiliated with Sabri al-Banna's (Abu Nidal) rejectionist group, Israel invaded Lebanon. Operation Peace for Galilee, as it was dubbed by the government, was on a much larger scale than Israel's 1978 invasion of Lebanon (Operation Litani).

Israel's primary goals were to destroy PLO bases in Lebanon, eject Syrian forces there and help establish a pro-Israel Lebanese Phalangist government in Beirut.

In retrospect, Israel did not achieve any of its objectives in Lebanon, which, in total, claimed the lives of more than 600 of its soldiers.

The Sabra/Shatilla massacre, perpetrated by Phalangists under the nose of Israeli forces, further tarnished Israel's image. The Kahan Commission investigating the affair absolved Begin, but blamed him for having been lax in not anticipating it.

Begin, an observant Jew, was a consummate politician who knew eight languages (including Latin) and projected an Old World mien. He was a voracious reader, being particularly fond of history and biography. He enjoyed American Western movies and was supposedly addicted to the television series, *Dallas*.

Until the end of his days, he lived frugally, in a modest house in northern Tel Aviv that he had shared with his wife.

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# Tributes pour in

By
RON CSILLAG

Tributes to Menachem Begin poured in this week from Canadian Jewish organizations and people who remember the late Israeli Prime Minister.

In Montreal, a memorial service for Begin will be held Monday March 16 at Beth Israel Beth Aaron Synagogue in Cote St. Luc. Speakers will include Israel's consul-general, Itzhak Levanon; Thomas Hecht, chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee's Quebec region; and Ariela Cotler, a former aide to Begin.

In Toronto, a shloshim service will take place April 14 at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, sponsored by Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region, the Canadian Zionist Federation and Herut-Likud Canada.

The Israeli Embassy in Ottawa opened a book of condolences Monday morning. Anyone wishing to sign it may visit during office hours, said embassy spokesman Yaacov Paran.

At Israel's Toronto consulate, an open house for Ontario government officials, the diplomatic corps and leaders of Jewish organizations was scheduled for this Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., said acting consul-general Oren David.

Prime Minister Brian Mulroney issued a private letter of condolence to Begin's family, a spokesman in the Prime Minister's Office told *The CJN*.

Begin's life was "testament to the undying spirit of Jewish survival and commitment," Dan Pekarsky, chairman of the Canada-Israel Committee, said in a statement.

"Throughout his life, Begin demonstrated an equal commitment to fulfilling the eternal goal of Jewish sovereignty in a secure and independent Israel, and to establishing a genuine peace with Israel's Arab neighbors," Pekarsky added.

Begin's death "removes a great son of his people from our midst," Canadian Jewish Congress president Les Scheininger said in a statement.

Scheininger and CJC national execective chairman Moshe Ronen sent letters of condolence to Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir and to Begin's son, Benjamin, a member of the Knesset.

The late leader "exemplified the mettle of a committed, genuine and great leader, a great visionary," stated a release from Canadian Zionist Federation president Kurt Rothschild and chairman of the board Nachum Wilchensky. "We will not forget him and he will remain an inspiration to us."

B'nai Brith Canada president Marilyn Wainberg, executive vice-president Frank Dimant and Israel affairs chairman Sheldon Lerman also sent a letter to Benjamin Begin, praising his father as "an oustanding Zionist leader dedicated to the principles of Zeev Jabotinsky. [Begin's] memory will live in the annals of Jewish history as one of the founding fathers of the modern State of Israel."

"We're very saddened. [Begin] was a hero of the Jewish people and a world statesman," Harry Wolle, head of Herut-Likud's central region, told *The CJN*.

Wolle was present when Begin was sworn in as Prime Minister in 1977. He recalls Begin saying privately that his first act as leader would be to allow entry into Israel of hundreds of Vietnamese refugees, known as "boat people."

Ronen also remembers having met Begin on two occasions. The first was in 1982, when Ronen was head of Jewish Students' Network.

The strains of Israel's invasion of Lebanon a few month earlier were showing on Begin, Ronen told *The CJN*. "It was also after his wife [Aliza] had died and his health was deteriorating rapidly." But "it was an incredible meeting. No one matched his warmth and charisma."

The second time was in 1989, when Begin had already been in self-imposed isolation for several years.

"We talked about a lot of things, but not Israeli politics," Ronen said. "He read voraciously. He asked me about Canadian unity."

Former *CJN* editor Maurice Lucow recalls meeting Begin on a United Jewish Appeal mission to Israel.

"We visited Begin at his official home in Jerusalem," Lucow recalled. "He answered the door himself, and his wife was calling in the background, 'Menachem, let somebody else answer the door. The Prime Minister doesn't have to do such things.' "

Begin came to Toronto in the mid-'70s, when he was opposition leader, and delivered a speech at the Inn on the Park. Lucow, who was then public relations director for UJA, recalls that Begin asked the Mounties assigned to protect him to come in out of the cold and join him for breakfast.

After his election as Prime Minister, Begin came here to address a UJA major gifts dinner at Beth Tzedec Congregation, which was filled to capacity, Lucow said.

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# Injunction bans telephone hate messages

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
The Federal Court of Canada has imposed a temporary restraining order against telephone messages originating in Vancouver that are "redolent of disparagement, humiliation and ridicule of Jews and non-whites."

The court order prevents the Canadian Liberty Net from offering the recorded telephone messages pending outcome of a human rights tribunal to determine the permanent status of the phone messages.

The court decision was applauded by the Canadian Human Rights Commission, which had asked the court to temporarily bar the messages, as well as Canadian Jewish Congress and B'nai Brith Canada.

"Such an injunction strikes yet another blow against anti-Semitism and racism in Canadian society," said Congress spokesman Joseph Wilder. "Coming on the heels of the decision against the Aryan Nations by the Alberta Human Rights Commission (which issued an order against racist rallies), the injunction againt the Canadian Liberty Net is a clear message to potential hatemongers that such activity will not be tolerated in any decent society."

"Society has a right to protect itself against the obvious danger of hate propaganda," said Ian Kagedan, a spokesman for B'nai Brith's League for Human Rights. "It is very important that all telephone hate messages be stopped. It is not a matter of free expression. It is poison."

## *Restraining order*

The messages, which were still available a day after the court ruling, begin by saying they are aimed at "promoting cultural awareness among white people."

The recording offers messages from pro-Nazi publisher Ernst Zundel; from Janice Long, wife of Canadian Aryan Nations leader Terry Long; and from Fred Leuchter, a pseudo-engineer who authored a "report" alleging gas chambers could not have killed Jews in Nazi death camps. Also available is "a history lesson" that denies the Holocaust as well as a message that claims a particular interest group controls the motion picture industry and television networks.

The complaint against the messages was initiated by Michael Elterman, chairman of Canadian Jewish Congress, Pacific Region, and by Aziz Khaki, head of the Committee for Racial Justice.

They claim the messages violate the Canadian Human Rights Act, which prevents "communicating or causing to be communicated, by telephonic means, messages that are likely to expose persons to hatred or contempt by reason of the fact that those persons are identifiable on the basis of race, national or ethnic origin, color or religion."

Doug Christie, the lawyer representing the Liberty Net, criticized the injunction for pushing Canada "far into the realm of thought police," the *Toronto Star* reported.

He said his clients are considering setting up a Canadian Liberty Net in Exile and offering phone messages from the United States.

# Accused war criminal seeks costs of $155,000

TORONTO —
Accused war criminal Michael Pawlawski is seeking to recover $155,000 in costs associated with his ongoing defence to charges of murdering 490 Jews and Poles during World War II.

In an unusual application in the midst of the case, Pawlawski's lawyer, Donald Bayne, was in court last week to request that Judge James Chadwick order the Crown to cover Pawlawski's legal fees as well as the costs of sending a defence team to the former Soviet Union to interview witnesses, B'nai Brith spokesman Ian Kagedan told *The CJN*.

Kagedan, who is monitoring the case, said the defence is suggesting the charges against Pawlawski constituted an abuse of process, entitling him to recover costs.

The Crown responded by arguing it was pursuing the prosecution in a legitimate manner and that two trips to the former Soviet Union were made because prosecution witnesses were located there.

Chadwick reserved decision on the defence application.

## *Commission evidence*

Kagedan said he is concerned that the Crown's costs in the case, which are likely greater than those of the defence, will lead the public to question the cost-effectiveness of war crimes cases, since the Pawlawski case "didn't even get to first base."

On Dec. 15 1989, Pawlawski was charged with murder in connection with the 1942 deaths of 410 Jews and 80 Poles in Nazi-occupied Byelorussia.

Since then, the Crown has twice failed to obtain court permission to collect commission (videotape) evidence from 15 elderly witnesses in the former Soviet Union.

Kagedan said government officials, who have launched only three war crimes prosecutions and one denaturalization case in five years, should examine additional measures to rid Canada of war criminals, including deportation and extradition.

He said the next court date in the Pawlawski case is set for March 13, when the Crown may reveal its next step in the case.

Kagedan speculated the Crown may either drop the case, since the witnesses are unwilling to travel to Canada to testify, or it may go to trial. Should it lose, that would give it the opportunity to appeal Chadwick's decision against the collection of commission evidence abroad, he said. — P.L.


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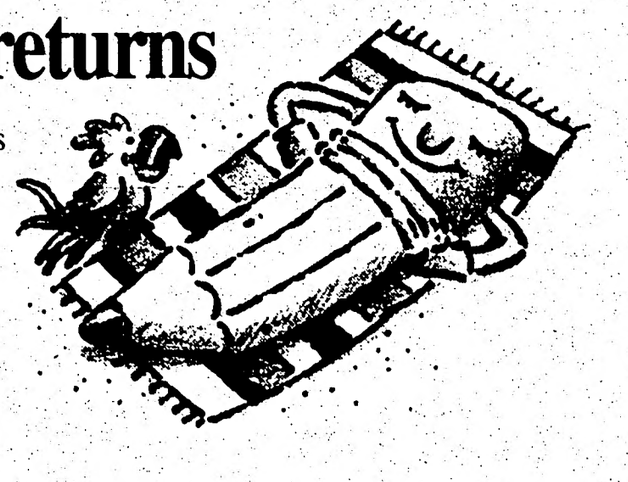

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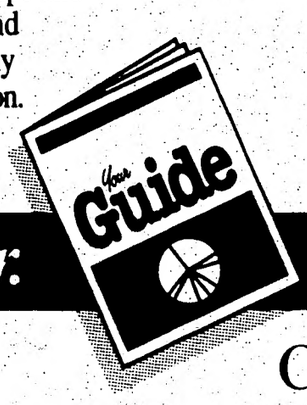


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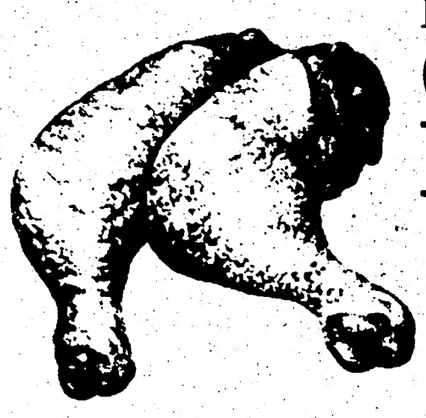

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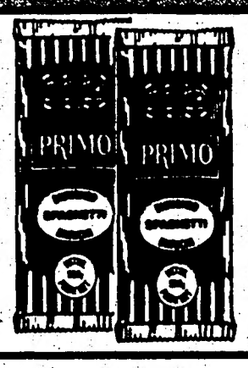


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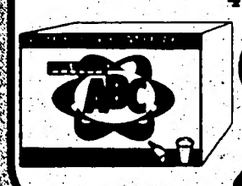


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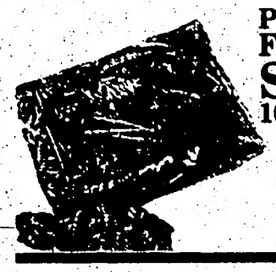

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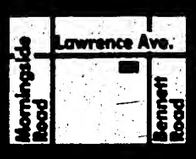


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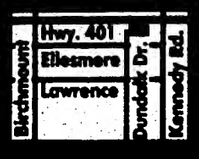


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פון מאַניע ליפשיץ

פּורים ווערט געפֿײַערט פון אַלע יידן איבער דער גאַנצער וועלט, און כּמעט אין אַלע לענדער פֿאַרבונדן מען דעם יום־טוב אויפן זעלבן שטייגער. אומעטום ווערט דער יום־טוב באַגלייט מיט פּרייד, געזאַנג, מיט לאָזן זיך ווילגיין, און מיט ספּעציעלער פּרייד און הנאה ביי די קינדער. אויך די צוגרייטונגען צום פּורים ווערן באַגלייט מיט פּונקט אַזויפיל פּרייד און לוסטיקייט ווי דער יום־טוב גופֿא.

עס דערמאָנט זיך, ווי פּורים פלעגט געפֿײַערט ווערן אין דער אַלטער היים. דער טאָג ערב פּורים איז אסתר תענית, אָבער דאָס איז איינער פון די תּעניתים, וואָס כּלומר געציילטע האָבן אָפּגעהיטן.

אין אָוונט פון דעם דרייצנטן אָדר האָט זיך אָנגעהויבן דער פּורים יום־טוב. דעם אָוונט זיינען אַלע זיך צוזאַמענגעקומען אין בית־מדרש. פריער האָט מען געדאַוונט מעריב און דערנאָך האָט מען געלייענט די מגילה. די קינדער פלעגן שטרײַכן גרייטע מיט די גראַגערס און ווי נאָר המנ׳ס נאָמען איז דערמאָנט געוואָרן, האָבן די קינדער אָנגעהויבן דרייען מיט די גראַגערס, קלאַפּן מיט די קלאַפּערס און אָנמאַכן אַזאַ מורא׳דיקן טומל, אַז מען האָט דאָס לייענען ניט געקאָנט הערן. די עלטערע יידן פלעגן שרייען אויף די קינדער, אָבער די קינדער האָבן זיי געהערט ווי „המן דעם גראַגער״.

ניט אַלע מאָל האָט מען געגוצט אַ גראַגער. אַמאָליקע צייטן פלעגט מען פֿאַרברענען המנ׳ס טשוטשעלע. אָט־דער מנהג איז געבליבן בלויז ביי די פערסישע יידן. דער מנהג שטאַמט פון די צייטן, ווען פורים איז געווען דער יום־טוב ביים אָפּשלוס פון ווינטער און ביים אָנהויב פון פרילינג, און מ׳פלעגט פאַרברענען אַ טשוטשעלע, כּדי צו פאַרטרייבן די בייזע רוחות. אין פינפטן יאָרהונדערט האָט אָט־דער מנהג זיך אָנגעשטויסן אויף דער קעגנערשאַפט פון קריסטן. עס איז פאַרשפרייט געוואָרן אַ בלבול, אַז יידן פאַרברענען יעזוסן אום פורים, און דאָס האָט אָפט געפירט צו אַטאַקעס אויף יידן. מיט דער צייט איז דעריבער דער מנהג פאַרשוווּנדן אין אַלע לענדער פון דער קריסטלעכער וועלט.

אַן אַנדער אופן פון שלאָגן המנ׳ען פלעגט זיין אָנצושרייבן דאָס וואָרט המן אויפן זויל פון שוך און דערנאָך קלאַפּן מיטן פוס יעדעס מאָל, וואָס המנ׳ס נאָמען איז דערמאָנט געוואָרן ביים לייענען די מגילה.

פורים אינדערפרי האָט מען ווידער געלייענט די מגילה, אָבער איצט זיינען שוין ניט געווען אַזויפיל קינדער אין שול.

שיקן שלח־מנות און קריגן שלח־מנות איז איינער פון די פיינסטע מנהגים פון דעם יום־טוב. מ׳שיקט שלח־מנות צו משפּחה, קרובים, צו גוטע פריינד און צו נויטבאַדערפטיקע.

כאָטש פורים איז ניט געפֿײַערט געוואָרן ווי אַלע אַנדערע רעליגיעזע יום־טובים מיט פיל רעליגיעזע צערעמאָניעס און מען האָט געאַרבעט, איז דאָך אין דער היים די שטימונג געווען אַ יום־טוב׳דיקע. אויפן טיש זיינען געווען גרייט גוטע צובייסנס, אַ שנעפּסל, אַ ביסל ווײַן, קיכלעך און המן־טאַשן. אין אָוונט האָט מען געפֿײַערט אַ פורים סעודה, צו וועלכער עס איז זיך צוזאַמענגעקומען די משפּחה און גוטע פריינד.

ביי דער פורים סעודה האָט מען דערוואַרט די פורים שפּילער, חוץ דעם וואָס מען האָט געזונגען לידער און בכלל זיך משמח געווען. די פורים שפּילער זיינען געווען מערסטנטס יידן און כחורים פון דעם אייגענעם שטעטל, מערסטנס אַרבעטער חברה, וועלכע פלעגן זיך אָנטאָן אין קאָסטיומען מיט מאַסקעס און אויפפירן די פורים־מעשה מיט אסתר׳ן און המנ׳ען.

אַמשטאַרקסטן האָבן די קינדער הנאה געהאַט פון די פורים־שפּילער. זיי פלעגן מיטלויפן מיט די שפּילער פון הויז צו הויז, מיטגיין מיט זיי אַהיים, זיי שטאַרק מקנא זיין און זיך פילן גליקלעך ווען די שפּילער האָבן זיי צוגעלאָזט נאָענט צו זיך.

פון אָט־די פורים־שפּילער אוּן פורים־שפּילן האָט זיך ביסלעכווייז אָנגעהויבן אַנטוויקלען דאָס יידישע טעאַטער (אין 16־טן יאָרהונדערט).

# Israel, U.S. 'honeymoon' over

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

A leader of a major American Jewish umbrella organization described "the honeymoon" between the United States and Israel as being over.

Malcolm Hoenlein, executive director of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, accused U.S. President George Bush and Secretary of State James Baker of acting "irrationally" on the issue of Israel's settlement of the territories.

Hoenlein suggested that both are acting in their own interests in holding up the $10 billion loan guarantees until Israel freezes the settlements. Having made limited political mileage out of Operation Desert Storm, Bush may be trying to influence the Israeli election in order to advance the peace process, by getting elected a government more favorable to his plans, he said.

Baker, he hinted, may be trying for the Nobel Peace Prize in 1996. Hoenlein was speaking at the recent United Israel Appeal of Canada leadership conference.

"Bush is not an anti-Semite, but he has resorted to appealing to anti-Semitism," specifically, when he spoke of "one lonely man against the lobbyists on the Hill."

The fallout of the issue has been that "the Arabs feel the United States can deliver Israel to them on a silver platter."

Hoenlein was less kind to Republican leadership candidate Patrick Buchanan. He called him "David Duke without the sheets," that is, spreading the same message in a more sophisticated manner.

Duke and Buchanan are not "aberrations," Hoenlein continued, and "scores" of persons with similar views are running at lower levels of the political system in the United States.

He noted growing intolerance and anti-Semitism in the United States, going hand in hand with the mood of isolationism. Reports of intimidation and physical attacks throughout the United States are ever increasing, particularly on college campuses and even in high schools, he said. Jews are becoming a "scapegoat" for the nation's economic problems.

Even politicians of more liberal opinions are changing their stances in response to the mood of their constituents. "Israel is increasingly a liability to U.S. politicians," he said.

He also charged the media of "misrepresentation and distortion" with regard to Jews and Israel, including "covering up Buchanan's anti-Semitism."

Hoenlein said Jews are "being tested" by this change in atmosphere. "Jewish silence creates Jewish victims. We must not be intimidated; this is what Buchanan wants. We have to stand up."

The Conference comprises 50 national American Jewish organizations.

The receipt of the $10 billion loan guarantee from the United States could help Israel secure another $30 billion in loans from other countries and banks, he said.

If the guarantee is not approved this spring, the issue will likely not come up again for consideration until February of next year, he said.

If it is never approved, North American Jewry could perhaps make up $1 billion, but immigration to Israel will suffer because of the lack of jobs, he said.


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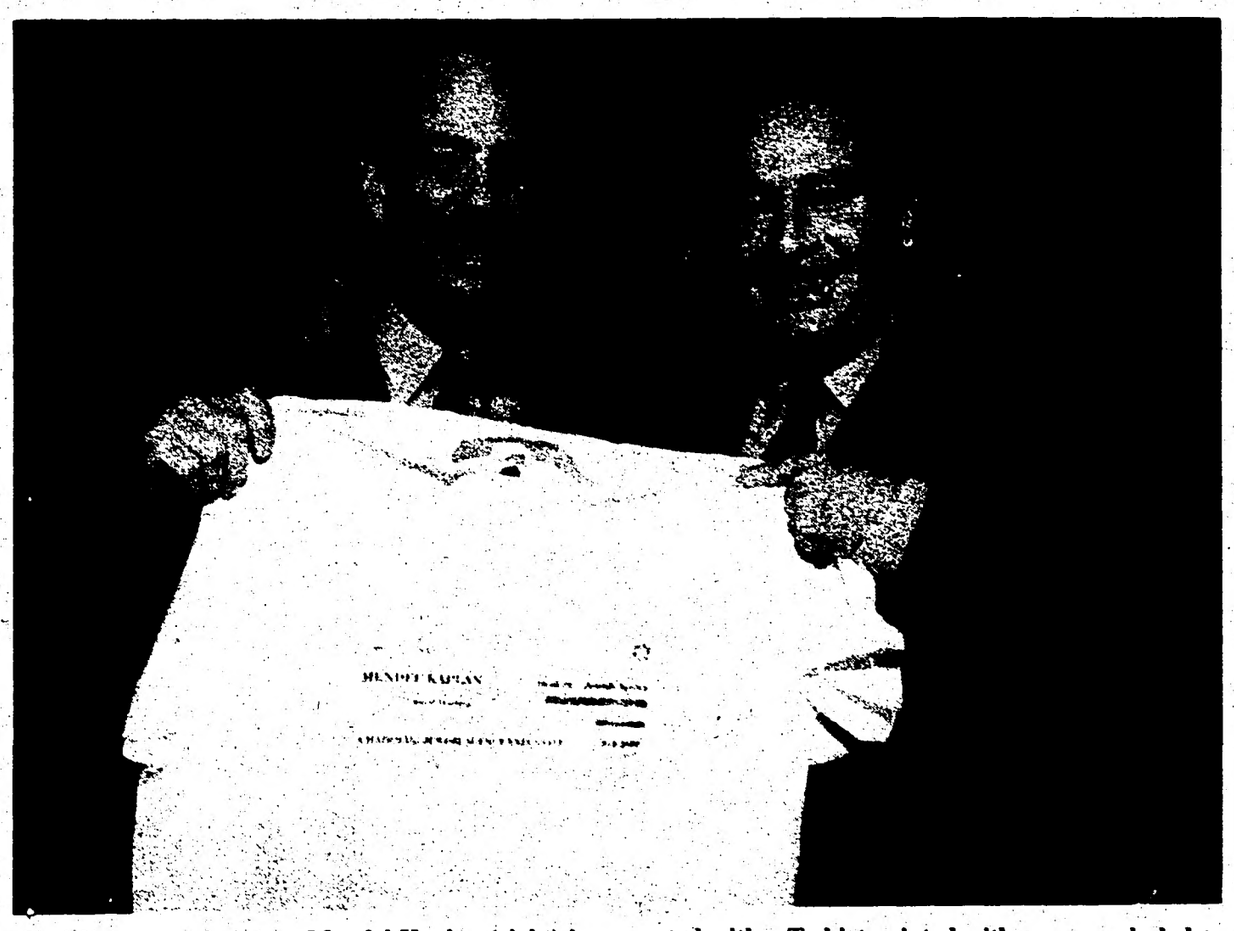

Jewish Agency chairman Mendel Kaplan (right) is presented with a T-shirt printed with a personal pledge card by David Vineberg, chairman of the 1992 Combined Jewish Appeal. Kaplan was keynote speaker at the UIA leadership conference. [Eric Choukroun photo]

# Kaplan issues warning

By
JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Jews are increasingly going to find themselves at odds with their governments' policies and with the societies they live in as the West enters a period of less tolerance to minorities in general and Jews in particular.

That warning came from Jewish Agency chairman Mendel Kaplan at a recent United Israel Appeal of Canada campaign leadership conference.

In the United States, this trend can be seen with the growing acceptance of Republican leadership candidate Patrick Buchanan and the mood against foreign aid in favor of helping the poor at home, Kaplan said.

"Jews and Zionists will have to stand up for Israel, even against the policy of their own government," and not grow silent as they traditionally have.

The United Nations resolution equating Zionism and racism may be off the books, "but to what extent is it still written in the hearts of the people we deal with?"

The U.S.'s delay of $10 billion loan guarantee raises questions about how independent Israel will be in the future, he said.

Jews can no longer bask in "the unfortunate afterglow" of the Holocaust, he said. For 50 years after the war, it was difficult in the West to promote anti-Semitic or anti-minority views. As the memory of Holocaust fades, such ideas will be easier to peddle, he indicated.

"Originally, we (Jews) fought for the right to be the same; then we fought for the right to be different. Now we are fighting for the right to be," said Kaplan, a South African industrialist.

The solution is not to turn inward and go back to ghettos, but to convince the majority culture of the value of minorities.

Other major issues he identified on the Jewish agenda included convincing the young that it is worthwhile to be Jewish, why they should choose to be Jewish.

"In the past we were forced into the ghetto or to convert; we never had a choice," he said.

"Our young people must know what they will be giving up if they choose not to be Jewish. Through a Torah education, they will learn that it is enjoyable, dignified and be proud to be Jews."

Israel must become more than a haven for Jews; it must become a "magnet" for Jews, a place they would want to live, he said.

Generally, the Jewish leadership will have to be more accountable to the people they raise money from in the years ahead, Kaplan said.

About 100 representatives of the Jewish federations across Canada, attended the conference, the first of its kind. The theme was Individual Strength — Collective Power.

UIA of Canada president Julia Koschitzky called the Jewish Agency "the main arena for direct Diaspora participation in Israeli affairs."

Veteran UIA leader Phil Granovsky credited Kaplan with lifting the Jewish Agency out of the "great trouble" it was in five years ago. "The Jewish Agency's reputation was at a low ebb. It desperately needed a change of leadership...Today, the Jewish Agency's reputation has changed completely for the better."

# Anti-Semitism downplayed

By
DAVID LAZARUS

MONTREAL —

The Jewish Agency's man responsible for the aliyah of Jews from the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) downplayed the recent lower numbers of immigrants to Israel as well as the threat of anti-Semitism there.

Baruch Gur, speaking to a United Israel Appeal of Canada national conference here, said that recent fluctuations nothwithstanding, Jews from the CIS are "on the move," mostly to Israel but in small numbers to areas of Western Europe.

The numbers are down, he acknowledged during a highly detailed presentation on the situation of CIS Jews vis-a-vis aliyah. But they will probably rise again by May or June, he said, given the fact the CIS' political and economic situation will probably continue to deteriorate and/or be unstable.

He said, though, that anti-Semitism is "political" and not a major factor in Jews' decision to go.

"Jews are aware of it, but they don't feel threatened by it because it is marginal," said Gur, who directs the Jewish Agency's agenda in the CIS, including the activities of about 80 agency emissaries posted throughout the fractious commonwealth.

Gur said the agency made one of wisest moves ever by anticipating the breakup of the Soviet Union and putting into place a network of shlichim in the "centre" and in the republics.

This so-called "two-track" system, Gur said, has enabled the agency to keep the "infrastructures" for aliyah functioning, including direct flights from a number of cities, operating amid the chaos of volatile nation-building and ethnic strife.

For the most part, Gur drew a portrait of Jews' desire to leave or stay in the CIS as being closely linked to practicalities: how secure they feel as well as their economic prospects in the CIS and in Israel.

The drop in numbers to Israel, for example (only 6,500 came in January and 4,500 in February), stems from a largely accurate picture they are getting about job prospects in the Jewish state.

Also, a number of Jews are actually doing well in the CIS. Some are active in the highly profitable "underground" economy.

Others are buying their own apartments and renting them out. A number are "ruble millionaires," he said.

Gur characterized as "about nil," the feelings toward and knowledge about Judaism that CIS Jews have.

But depite this, Gur stressed that there is a great potential for continued aliyah to Israel and that this has to be seen in terms of the "global picture" of migration by CIS citizens. "You can't separate it from other nationalities."

The advantage Jews have, of course, is Israel. Gur said 3 million CIS citizens — including Jews — would leave for Western Europe if the doors were open.

Gur reminded his audience that despite the recent low numbers, there are still 1.1 million CIS Jews with "invitations to Israel," which is one of every three Jews there, and about 100,000 of them have the right to leave the CIS tomorrow.

Besides republics like Lithuania and the Ukraine, with up to a million Jews coming into contact with Jewish Agency shlichim "shtetl by shtetl," Gur spoke of thousands of Jews "coming out of the closet" in totally unexpected areas, like the Ural Mountains and Northern Siberia.

There is also what Gur called the "Balkan balagan" — the difficult logistics involved in getting the Jewish Agency operations going in strife-torn Azerbaijan and elsewhere.

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As his followers prayed for his recovery, plans went ahead in Kfar Chabad to build a house for the Lubavitcher Rebbe in Israel. In the background is the already completed replica of the Rebbe's headquarters in Brooklyn. [IPPA]

## Lubavitch rebbe suffers stroke

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

The stroke suffered by Lubavitcher Rebbe Menachem Mendel Schneerson last week does not seem to have dampened the faith of those who believe he is the Messiah.

"Before a great ascent, there has to be a descent," said Yossi Shneerson, one of hundreds of Lubavitch followers, mostly schoolboys, who flocked to the Western Wall last Thursday to pray for the health of the ailing rabbi. The rebbe suffered a slight stroke March 2, which has caused partial paralysis of his right side.

Asked whether the Lubavitcher rebbe is the Messiah, Yossi replied: "I feel he is the man."

As he was speaking, the leader of the gathering at the Wall shouted to the children: "The rebbe always thinks of you. Now is the time for you to repay him."

According to Yossi, the schoolboys were brought to the Wall because, not having reached bar mizvah age, they were free of sin. "They are all like righteous men, and their prayers have more effect."

While prayers were being said for the rebbe, his foe — Rabbi Eliezer Schach, who recently stepped up a blistering attack on Lubavitch and Rabbi Schneerson — was not far from people's minds. Rabbi Schach, who called the rebbe a false messiah and his followers "eaters of treif," came up in every conversation.

"Satan can work even through an elderly, bearded rabbi," said a Jerusalem Lubavitch chassid, who would identify himself only as Yitzhak. "To everything good in the world there is always opposition."

## U.S. action urged

JERUSALEM (JPFS) —

Israeli Health Minister Ehud Olmert last Sunday urged the United States to take action against two North Korean cargo ships which the United States suspects are carrying Scud-C missiles to Iran and Syria. He declined to say whether Israel would step in should Washington fail to act.

"I think that America, being the moving force in the peace negotiations, has to take an initiative. I don't know if they have to sink the ships, but there are other means by which they can practically stop these increased armaments by the Arab countries," Olmert told reporters after a meeting of the Israeli cabinet.

Asked whether Israel would take action if the United States does not, he said: "Even if we would consider it, would you expect me to say it?"

It is expected that Israeli Defence Minister Moshe Arens, scheduled to visit Washington this week, plans to discuss the impact of the Scud missiles on the military balance in the region with U.S. Secretary of Defence Richard Cheney.

The missiles would enable Syria to strike anywhere in Israel from almost anywhere in Syria, officials said.

Olmert's comments came as U.S. warships were poised to challenge the two North Korean freighters said to be laden with ballistic missiles destined for Iran or Syria.

## The Economy Crisis in the Community?

Due to the special report on the death of former Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, the series on the recession and the Jewish community has been delayed. It will return next week.


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# JNF dedicates B.C. Forest

**JERUSALEM (JPFS) —**

The British Columbia Forest near Karmiel was dedicated by the Jewish National Fund on March 1, in the presence of Speaker John Fraser of Canada's House of Commons.

Fraser flew in for a 36-hour visit to attend the dedication on Mt. Camun. "I'm sure the Lord is smiling down upon us today," he said at the ceremony.

The forest dedication capped a 10-day visit by more than 650 people brought to Israel by the Canadian JNF.

Fraser said his position as Speaker of Canada's House of Commons precludes him making political statements. He commented, however, that Canada "wants terribly to see the peace talks succeed."

# Baker denies anti-Jewish slur

**WASHINGTON (JTA) —**

U.S. Secretary of State James Baker has strongly denied a report that he used an obscenity recently to describe American Jews.

The charge against Baker was leveled Friday by former New York Mayor Edward Koch, in a column in the *New York Post*. Citing a well-placed and high-level source, Koch wrote that "when Baker was criticized recently at a meeting of high-level White House advisers for his belligerent attitude toward Israel, he responded, 'F--- 'em. They (the Jews) didn't vote for us.' "

(Baker was George Bush's campaign manager when he ran for president in 1988. Despite extensive efforts by Jewish Republicans, more than 70 percent of American Jews voted for Democratic candidate Michael Dukakis.)

State Department spokesman Margaret Tutwiler issued a public denial Friday, calling the report "false," "outrageous," and "garbage."

The Anti-Defamation League welcomed Tutwiler's denial but asked Baker to respond publicly to the charge himself. It got its wish over the weekend, when the secretary wrote a letter to Melvin Salberg, ADL's national chairman, and Abraham Foxman, its national director.

Likewise, the denial was accepted in Israel by Health Minister Ehud Olmert. "If Baker says he did not say it, then he didn't, at least in the context in which it was quoted," said Olmert. "But anyway, his denial is a valuable statement."

However, a fellow Likud Cabinet member was not so sure. Transport Minister Moshe Katsav said he tended to believe Koch's accusation that Baker had made such a remark.

# Name Game

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## World

# The News In Brief

### Keegstra jury

**RED DEER** —It took two days of court time and more than 100 challenges to select an eight-woman, four-man jury in the hate promotion trial of former Eckville teacher Jim Keegstra. Using a legal procedure known as "challenge for cause," Keegstra, acting in his own defence, questioned each potential juror about feelings of bias towards him. Keegstra's 1985 conviction for promoting hatred against Jews was overturned by the Alberta Court of Appeal because the former teacher was not given enough latitude in challenging the impartiality of jurors.

Court of Queen's Bench judge Arthur Lutz warned the jurors not to read news reports about the case and he imposed a ban on "any movies, newscasts, plays or documentaries" about Keegstra during the trial, which could last up to six months.

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### Villagers demonstrate against Hezbollah

**ROSH HANIKRA** — Shi'ite villagers in Kafra, north of the security zone, last week staged what amounted to an anti-Hezbollah demonstration in their battle-ravaged settlement.

The nearly 300 demonstrators called for an end to the firing of Katyusha rockets from the vicinity of their homes and demanded that deployment of Lebanese Army troops in the region, currently controlled by Unifil. Although they did not categorically call for terrorists to be expelled, their protest sent a clear message to supporters of the extremist Shi'ite organization.

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### U.S. human rights official quits

**WASHINGTON** — Richard Schifter resigned last week as U.S. assistant secretary of state for human rights and humanitarian affairs. In 1985, President Ronald Reagan named Schifter to be the State Department's top human rights advocate. Schifter, who is Jewish, succeeded another Reagan-appointed Jew, Elliott Abrams.

Schifter said he resigned because it was time to "move out" and that his decision was not "motivated by any disagreement" with U.S. human rights policy. But Shoshana Bryan, a former executive director of the Jewish Institute for National Security Affairs, which Schifter helped found, said Schifter's timing may have been linked to Bush's veto of a bill in Congress that opposed most-favored-nation trade status to China.

Pro-Israel activists could not confirm a *Washington Times* report that Schifter may also have been motivated to leave by his uneasiness with the State Department's 1992 human rights report, which Schifter may have felt was too harsh on Israel.

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### Aloni nominated for Nobel Prize

**COPENHAGEN** — Shulamit Aloni, leader of the Citizens Rights Movement and member of the Israeli Knesset, has been nominated for the 1992 Nobel Peace Prize. Aloni was cited for her accomplishnents in bringing Jews and Arabs together at Israel's Ulpan Akiva in Netanya, which she heads. Jews study Arabic with Arab instructors at the ulpan.

To date, only one Israeli has received the Peace Prize, the late Prime Minister Menachem Begin, who shared the 1978 prize with the late President Anwar Sadat of Egypt.

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### Fifth suspect held

**JERUSALEM** — A fifth suspect was arrested March 5 in connection with the axe killings of three soldiers at an army encampment three weeks ago.

The resident of the Israeli-Arab town of Umm el-Fahm is believed to have aided the four members of the gang who allegedly committed the murders. Like the other suspects, he is also reported to be a member of the Islamic Movement.

Eight army officers have been reprimanded after being courtmartialed for failures in connection with the murders. All eight were accused of offenses pertaining to dereliction of duty and failure to comply with standing orders and regulations.

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### JDL head nabbed as hired gun

**LOS ANGELES** — Irv Rubin, national chairman of the Jewish Defence League, has been arrested by Los Angeles police on charges of conspiracy to commit murder for hire. While working for a credit and collection agency, Rubin allegedly hired an associate to terrorize an unidentified debtor living in San Pedro, south of Los Angeles.

The 46-year-old Rubin, a native of Montreal, took over as national head of the JDL in 1985, after the organization's founder, the late Rabbi Meir Kahane, moved to Israel. Rubin's lawyer said that Rubin is "shocked, angry and vehemently denies any knowledge of what the (police) claims are all about."

### UN head pledges aid to MIAs

**NEW YORK** — UN Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali has told the World Jewish Congress that he will press forward to seek the whereabouts and release of Israeli soldiers missing in action in Lebanon and believed still being held captive. He confided that his chief hostage negotiator Giandomenico Picco did not get a definitive answer in recent talks as to whether missing Israeli air force navigator Ron Arad was still alive. He would nevertheless persevere, Boutros-Ghali said.

The WJC delegation, led by president Edgar Bronfman, also raised the plight of Syrian Jews as well as that of the Jews of Yemen in its meeting with the Secretary General. He offered his assistance on a humanitarian basis on these issues.

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### Israeli soldier killed

**TEL AVIV** — A search for terrorists in the Gaza Strip cost the life of an Israeli soldier last week. One terrorist was killed, another wounded and seven were captured in the skirmish, the Israel Defence Force announced. The dead soldier was identified as Cpl. Baruch Ben-Shimon, 20, of Safed.

The IDF said a patrol searching for wanted terrorists came under fire when it entered a building in Bani Suheila, east of Khan Yunis. The first burst was fatal to Ben-Shimon, but his killer died by return fire, which wounded a second terrorist. The IDF said the gang was suspected of the recent murders of several local Arabs who allegedly co-operated with the Israeli authorities.

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### Soldier dies

**TEL AVIV** — A Fijian soldier attached to United Nations peacekeeping forces in Lebanon died of wounds incurred when he was caught in cross fire between the Israel Defence Force and Hezbollah guerrillas in southern Lebanon last month.

The death, announced March 3 by a spokesman for the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon, was the 25th fatality suffered by the Fijian contingent of Unifil. Fiji is one of the nine nations contributing troops to Unifil, a lightly armed military corp established by the UN Security Council in 1978 for policing duties in southern Lebanon.

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### ZOA "adopts" Ariel

**NEW YORK** — The Zionist Organization of America has "adopted" the West Bank community of Ariel, highlighting its support for the Israeli government's settlement policy and its opposition to the Bush administration's push for a settlement freeze.

In a resolution passed March 1 in Washington, the ZOA's national executive committee urged support of Ariel, a town of 10,000 in central Samaria, including business investment and the purchasing of housing.

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### Israel, Vietnam sign pact

**TEL AVIV** — The Israeli flag flew from a hotel in Hanoi last week as Israeli and Vietnamese officials signed their first economic co-operation agreement. The accord could be the prelude to full diplomatic relations between the two countries, according to the Sever Plotzker, a correspondent for the Israeli daily *Yediot Achronot*. He believes an Israeli Embassy will open in Hanoi as early as this summer or, at the very latest, by the end of the year.

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### Construction stops in Hamburg

**BONN** — Earth-moving equipment has halted temporarily in the Hamburg suburb of Ottensen, where developers are preparing the ground for a new shopping mall on the site of a Jewish cemetery and Jewish demonstrators, mainly Chassidim and other Orthodox Jews are trying to stop them.

Although the demonstrators succeeded in halting the work, a spokesman for the Ottensen municipality said the town had no authority to ban the $189 million (U.S.) project. After World War II, the surviving Jewish community of Hamburg sold the site to commercial investors and shops were built nearby.

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### Labor rejects slots for minorities

**JERUSALEM** — The Labor Party's central committee last week rejected the idea of secured candidacies for minority and ethnic constituencies for the party list. The only exceptions were four fixed slots for women and a guaranteed seventh place for party Secretary-General Micha Harish. The party's highest decision-making body turned down appeals by advocates for underprivileged neighorhoods, trades union organizations, Druse, Bedouins, Arab Christians, development towns, immigrants, observant Jews and young people.


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# Front Line

COMMENTARY

## Elections color relations between Israel, U.S.

By
YESHAYAHU ANUG

Worried about the state of U.S.-Israeli relations? Rightly so, but do not forget that the two administrations are now fighting for their re-election under unusually adverse conditions and both feel that they must appear unflappable to their electorates.

James Baker, on camera, was unusually rude in the congressional hearings on the loan guarantees for Israel and for the first time even lost his proverbial coolness. He may — on a personal level — have felt that he ought to repay the Israeli government for the various affronts he had to experience on the subject during his many visits. But his style, regardless of the substance, angered many Israelis, even some of those who staunchly oppose this government's priorities.

Official Israel chose to show firmness too, grimly rejecting any linkage between the issue under discussion and its settlement policy, which according to this government, will not be changed. Whatever the ultimate outcome of the debate, it now seems very unlikely that the loans will reach their destination before Israel's elections in June or before the next Israeli government will have reached an understanding with the U.S. administration.

Whether the severe clash over settlements concerns only this one issue, or is a symptom of a more serious deterioration of a once cordial relationship based on mutual trust and co-operation, remains to be seen. Without taking it lightly at all, I would opt for the former.

The peace process — merely a side-show these days — is now painfully exerting its flabby muscles on the uncomfortable treadmill. Nobody dares to interrupt the test; everyone wants to pass it unscathed. Major breakthroughs are not in the cards, not for the time being, and continuation seems to be the only objective. The last round of the talks in Washington echoed the U.S.-Israeli clash over settlements and have encouraged the Arabs to draw far-reaching conclusions regarding general U.S. attitudes on the modalities of peace itself.

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If so, they were going too far. The loan guarantees have now been denied because Israel chose to reject the American conditions. This was a temporary setback for Israel, not a lasting victory for the Arabs. They know well, that the United States wants to help Israel to absorb its immigrants and this is no ground for Arab celebration.

During the next few weeks the Israeli voters will have to digest not only the disturbing episode in U.S.-Israeli relations over settlements, but also to witness complicated internal and external developments. The leadership contest in the Labor party was won by Rabin, believed to be in a better position than Peres to challenge Prime Minister Shamir.

Leslie H. Gelb, one of the best columnists of *The New York Times*, writes that the Bush-Baker team want "the outright defeat of Shamir, whose Likud block, they believe, stands in the way of peace. Or force him into a coalition with Rabin whom they regard as more reasonable."

True? Baker strongly rejects this insinuation, but it made its impact here. Regardless of whether U.S. policies are good or bad for Israel, no opposition leader enjoys alleged foreign patronage. Surely the rumor is to be exploited by Likud and by the more extreme rightist parties, but probably not so intensely by Mr. Shamir himself who knows that he may have to co-operate with the Labor leader. As I have risked to point out in previous columns, the outcome of these elections is very likely to be the formation of a two-party government, leaving open the all-important question of whether Rabin or Shamir will be in a position to form it.

If so, an unusual situation in Israel's political life may emerge, in which smaller parties, the united centre-left, the rightist electoral block, as well as the various religious parties, may see their individual chances to mold the future coalition, to be indispensable to its survival and therefore excessively rewarded for their participation, greatly weakened. Other scenarios could still come up and we'll have to return to the subject in the weeks ahead.

June is now three months away and many things can happen to upset any outlook. For one, Arab terrorism will not rest and as we have seen during the recent events in Lebanon, Israeli reaction to terror can at times go to the very brink of escalation. The harsh campaign against Hezbollah, starting with the assassination of its leader, the one under whose command western hostages were abducted and murdered, and continuing with the pounding of the Hezbollah camps, resulted in the forced withdrawal of that organization's fighters from Israel's northern defence-line and in an interruption of its daily Katyusha-missile attacks.

Whether this was the result of Israel's successful brinkmanship only, or whether Israel's action prompted a change in Iranian or Syrian strategy under massive American pressure, is practically irrelevant. While occasional flare-ups can not be excluded, it is very likely that the American effort in the area, as well as in the conduct of the peace process, will be devoted mainly to damage-control, until diplomacy can take off again.

Within these parameters, Israelis and Arabs — regulars and irregulars on both sides — will try to score as many points as they can with different purposes in mind. But there is a chance, that despite further irritating and potentially dangerous episodes, the region will somehow mark time during the months to come.

The Israeli voter will now understand better than he did before that his country does not operate in a vacuum and that outside forces beyond his control play a meaningful role in the developments affecting him. Summing up the recent battle in South Lebanon, Israel's Chief of Staff Ehud Barak was quoted saying to the members of the government, that some of Israel's political leaders often create high expectations regarding the complex struggle with terrorists, while on the other hand they overdramatize the inevitable setbacks in the protracted war against terror.

He was addressing Ariel Sharon, who keeps claiming to be the one who knows best how to repress terrorism. It was an unorthodox statement from a soldier, it leaked to the press and got many eyebrows moving high up. But what has happened in February, the latest Lebanese episode included and the setback in Washington, may force politicians to use more realistic language in their forthcoming campaign.

And if this sounds outrageously optimistic, let's only say, that because so much information is now filling the air, voters will be better equipped to decide what kind of leadership and policies they would like to see emerging from the decisive contest in June.

HUMOR

## *Was Esther really the head of Hadassah?*

By
ALLAN GOULD

They say that magicians should never, ever give out their secrets. In other words, they must avoid showing where the rabbit came from (or went), and/or how those rungs managed to cut through one another, and still CLINK and then hang down like that.

Well, I'm no magician, so I can let you in on this Writer's Secret: The most enjoyable (and probably the easiest) humor pieces to write are the "multiple choice" ones. The gags are easier to produce; the form is a joy to follow; the laughs tend to come quickly.

Okay, that's the last confession you're going to get out of me before next Yom Kippur. Here, then, just in time for that funny/horrific holiday called Purim, is a Purim quiz for your edification. (Funny, 'cause we Jews actually came out on top, and even dress up silly; horrific, because if we hadn't "won," the Jews of ancient Persia would have been toast.)

To the point: Do you really know your holiday — or have you forgotten most of its heroes, heroines, rituals and rules since last year? You're about to find out. But, as usual, don't look to *The Canadian Jewish News* for the answers; ask your teenager — those kids know everything.

1. The name of the king in the story of Purim is:
   a. Ahasuerus
   b. Antiochus
   c. Antisemite
   d. Antihistamine
   e. Auntie Molly

2. The name of the heroine of Purim is:
   a. Esther
   b. Hadassah
   c. Queen Esther, president of Hadassah
   d. Hadassah, corresponding secretary of Esther
   e. All the above.

3. The name of the hero of Purim is:
   a. Mordecai
   b. Morton (he changed it)
   c. John Callahan (there was a lot of anti-Semitism back then)

4. The name of the villain in the Purim story is:
   a. Arafat
   b. Khomeini
   c. Saddam Hussein
   d. Haman
   e. John Callaghan (we told him not to change his name)

5. The name of the book in which the story of Purim is written is:
   a. Haggadah
   b. Haganah
   c. Hahaha
   d. Megillah
   e. Gantze Gedillah

Allan Gould

6. When Haman walked through the streets, the people would:
   a. Mug him.
   b. Bow down (he was very short).
   c. Bow down and cry, "HAMAN!"
   d. Bow down and cry, "Hey, Man!"

7. Mordecai would not bow down, and said that he:
   a. Had a bad back.
   b. Bowed down only to the Father of All Men in Heaven.
   c. Would rather not bow down, but if Haman insisted . . .

8. Haman now decided to:
   a. Kill all the Jews.
   b. Kill all the Hebrews.
   c. Kill all the co-religionists of Mordecai.
   d. Kill all Persians of the Mosaic persuasion.
   e. Jewish history gets rather redundant after a while, doesn't it?

9. In order to choose a date for the destruction of the Jews, Haman:
   a. Played bingo.
   b. Drew lots, from the Persian word, PUR.
   c. Ate latkes, from the Hebrew holiday, Chanukah.
   d. Used a Jewish calendar, which was his big mistake.
   e. Should have gone directly to jail, not passed GO, not collected 200 shekels.

10. Everywhere, throughout the kingdom, Jews began to:
   a. Wear sackcloth and ashes.
   b. Wear tallin and tefillin and checked for shatnes.
   c. Wear out their welcome.
   d. Take out insurance.

11. In order to get the king's favor, Esther:
   a. Also wore sackcloth and ashes.
   b. Made a banquet.
   c. Made herself scarce.
   d. Had the king take out insurance on her.

12. Suddenly, the king discovered:
   a. He had both Boardwalk and Park Place, and Haman was doomed.
   b. Mordecai had once saved his life, and should be rewarded.
   c. Mordecai was almost his father-in-law, and should be avoided.
   d. Esther was Jewish, so he'd better take out more insurance.

13. Since the King could not reverse Haman's order, he made a new order:
   a. "Two hamburgers, with everything."
   b. "Two hamburgers, hold the onions."
   c. "One pizza, medium, with anchovies, no mushrooms."
   d. "Let all the Jews arm themselves and fight back!"
   e. "Let all the Jews be killed!" (You couldn't trust anyone in those days, either).

14. Because of the Persian Jews' success in defending themselves, Jews around the world to this day:
   a. Drink religiously.
   b. Drink schnapps.
   c. Drink anything that won't drink them first.
   d. All the (hic) above.

15. When Haman's name is read, Jews:
   a. Shake their greggers.
   b. Shake their heads, since he was no friend of the Jews.
   c. Take another drink.
   d. Look, how many Jewish holidays end happily???

16. How do Jews traditionally greet each other on Purim:
   a. "Happy Purim!"
   b. "Heint is Purim, morgen is oys, git mir a penny, un warft mich aroys."
   c. "You should be inscribed in the Book of Life."
   d. "You'd better drive; I've had a little too much."
   e. "Haman should be like a chandelier — He should hang by day and burn by night."

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## *Shabbat Zachor*

This Shabbat, Shabbat Zachor — the Sabbath of Remembrance — the congregants of Beth Tzedec synagogue in Toronto will, for the eighteenth time, say Kaddish for four young Syrian Jewish women: sisters Mazal, Laura and Farah Sebbagh and their cousin Eva Saad.

There is a special poignancy to this yahrzeit. Throughout the Jewish world, the Hebrew numeral eighteen symbolizes life. It rings with the glorious imperative of G-d to His people, as they were about to enter the Promised Land of Israel: "Choose life."

Mazal, Laura and Farah Sebbagh and Eva Saad chose life. Unable to live fully as Jews in Syria, they chose to escape to freedom. Betrayed by their Arab smugglers as they reached the Syrian-Lebanese border, they and the young men who accompanied them, Natan Shaya and Kassem Abadi, found instead a savage death. In a terrible irony, the raped and mutilated bodies of the women were left in front of their parents' homes in Damascus just after Shabbat Zachor, the Sabbath when Jews are commanded to obliterate the memory of our arch-enemy Amalek.

Throughout our long history, the Jewish people have faced too many Amaleks, who in their hatred have tried to destroy us physically and spiritually. While every one of them has vanished, their empires in ruins, we have survived — because of the courage of those of our people who chose life rather than spiritual death. These six young Syrian Jews are, in the words of the prayer for our martyrs, among "the loving, upright and blameless souls who laid down their lives for the sanctification of Thy Name."

The prayers of the Beth Tzedec Congregation on Shabbat Zachor are now joined with those of Jews around the world, in mourning and remembrance. But if we are truly to remember, mourning is not enough. We must remember not only the deaths of these young people, but the tyranny that caused them.

The Jews of Syria, one of the most ancient Jewish communities in the Diaspora, are now held hostage in a country that has become their prison. Reduced to a remnant of 4,300 souls, forbidden to leave, they are subjected to constant hostile surveillance and arbitrary imprisonment. As of today, Eli and Selim Swed, despite international appeals and a general amnesty in Syria, still languish in the notorious Adra prison in Damascus, from which few emerge alive.

As we mourn those who died al Kiddushat HaShem, we must remember those who still live in hope of rescue. We must, on this Shabbat Zachor, dedicate ourselves to the mitzvah of Pidyon Shvuim, the redemption of the captives. The Jews of Syria must be freed to live as Jews among their people.

For them, we must choose life.

## *Home grown hate*

A painful reminder of Canada's sorry record of intolerance towards minorities has surfaced recently with the publication of a book by Simon Fraser University professor Martin Robin.

Called *Shades of Right: Nativist and Fascist Politics in Canada 1920-1940* (University of Toronto Press), this essay places in high relief the racist and bigoted skeletons that inhabited the Canadian closets of yesteryear.

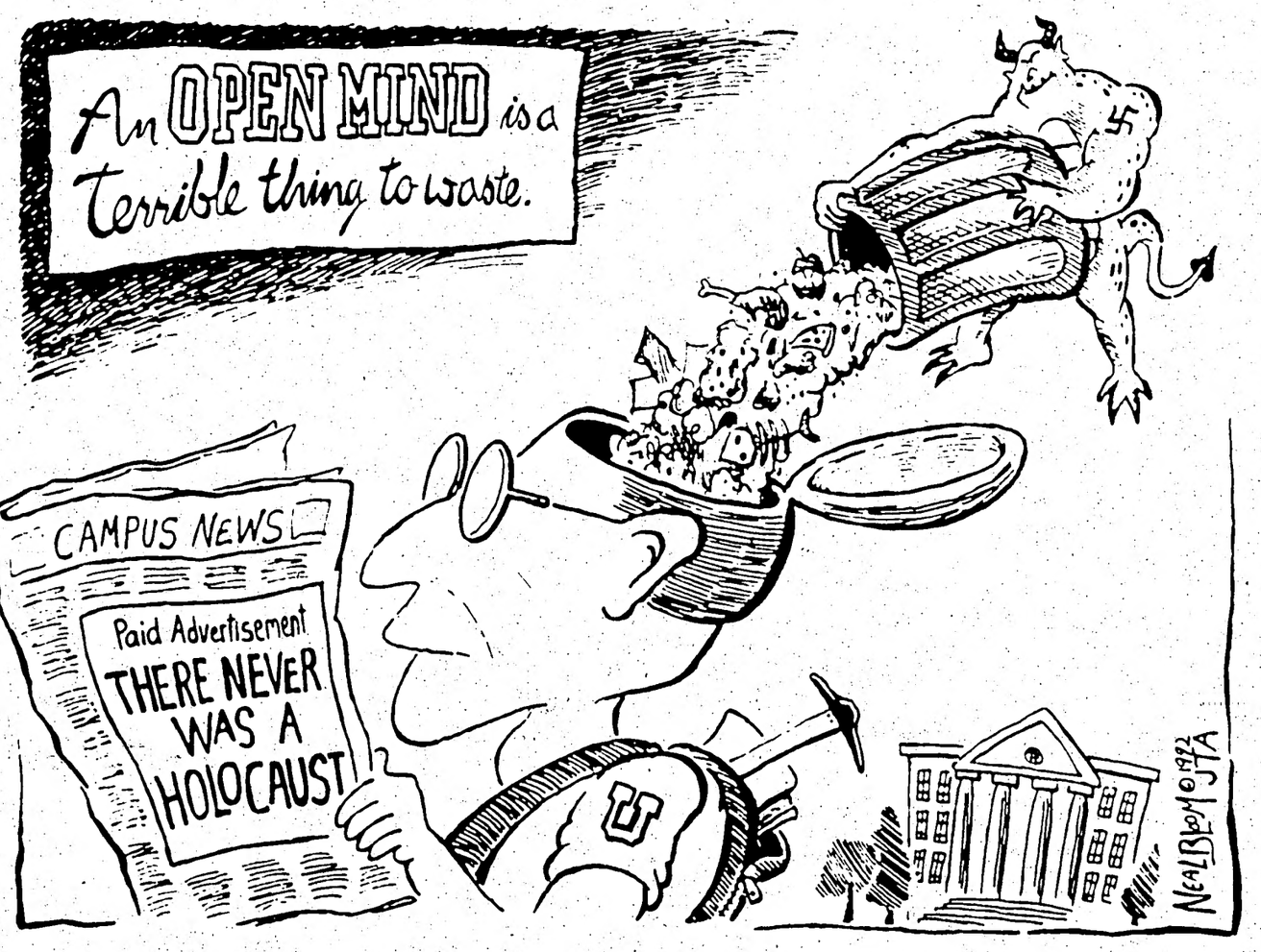
Canadians will be challenged to learn, for example, that in the 1920s the Klu Klux Klan (recently active in Winnipeg with telephone messages trumpeting white power) penetrated Canada's largest provinces and extended its influence as far west as Saskatchewan where, in the one town of Woodrow, 153 people out of a population of 218 affiliated with the Klan.

Equally distressing is Robin's reconstruction of Quebec's nativist political group, the Coglu (Bobolink) which was headed by Adrien Arcand. The latter, a fiery orator, hammered out a fanatical anti-Semitic rhetoric which gained the support of many thousands of Quebecers in the 1930s.

Perhaps the most startling information in this book concerns the boldness with which Italian and German consular officials in Canada's major metropolitan areas intervened with impunity, in the 1930s, in Canadian domestic affairs in order to promote, respectively, the ideals of Mussolini's fascism and Hitler's Nazism.

One may infer from Martin Robin's treatise that the racists and bigots in Canada were able to ply their trade in the 1920s and 1930s because there was a lack of political and moral resolve among governments, federal and provincial, to stop their activity.

Fifty years later, Canadians, having recognized the dangers of racism and religious prejudice, have enacted laws against the spreading of hate and have created institutions such as the Human Rights Commission to protect citizens from the effects of discrimination on the basis of race, religion, and gender. Neither the laws nor the institution are perfect instruments in the fight against intolerance, but in the absence of good will among some Canadians, they are important weapons in combatting intolerance.




## Letters to the Editor

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### PROSECUTION OF WAR CRIMINALS

For those of us who have been awaiting some positive developments with respect to the prosecution of Nazi war criminals, the decision of the Supreme Court of Canada not to hear an appeal of a ruling by Mr. Justice James Chadwick is disappointing on two accounts. In the first place, Canada's highest court did not give any reasons, which obviously would have been invaluable to the Crown, with regard to what is required in future cases that remain in abeyance. Secondly, there is ample jurisprudence for evidence to be taken by videotape in the presence of the accused, his counsel and the trial judge. In the absence of any reasons, one must speculate how Michael Pawlowski, who stands charged with four counts of crimes against humanity and war crimes relating to the murder of 400 Jews in 1942, would be prejudiced.

The Honorable Mr. Justice Jules Deschenes in his report identified 20 alleged Nazi war criminals who should be brought to justice. Only three have proceeded. One was withdrawn when the available witnesses died. It remains to be seen what will now happen with the Pawlowski case. The third case is that of Imre Finta and the ultimate resolution of that case is waiting for a disposition by the Supreme Court of Canada. Presumably the Crown is awaiting that decision before proceeding with at least the other seventeen.

The Supreme Court of Canada should be aware that there is a biological time clock involved in bringing the remaining accused to justice and one would hope for an early decision.

**Bert Raphael**
**President**
**Jewish Civil Rights Educational Foundation of Canada**
**Toronto**

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### ISRAEL WILL BE SAVED

I do understand that some people, even if they mean well, are searching for peace because they are scared. They see the overwhelming animosity of the majority of the world body towards Jews. So they grab at straws to prevent themselves from drowning. The Jews have always survived for thousands of years against all odds. We lived with hope in the Almighty. Because of pressure of secular and unbelieving Jews, we gave away the Sinai peninsula with oil wells and strategic territory.

We are now in a better position than we have been for the last two thousand years, with our own country, a powerful army, a population of almost five million. This year new relations have been established with countries like China, Russia and its (former) satellites. India is following. Many African countries renewed broken relations. Immigration to Israel is at a unprecedented high.

So my friends, take courage, think positive, don't be alarmists. He, that has protected us until now, will protect us in the future.

**Simon Gemeiner**
**Toronto**

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### SHOCKED AT JNF

Shock and dismay were my reactions to learning that the Jewish National Fund is bringing Oliver North to Toronto and that Shaarei Shomayim is hosting the event. North would be in jail at present had he and his conconspirators not been able to exploit legal technicalities. Whatever his views on Israel, his belief in himself as above the law and his willingness to undermine and manipulate the democratic process are potentially subversive to the well-being of Jews everywhere, including Israel. Jewish interests have almost never been well served by autocrats of the right or the left.

The JNF, as its name indicates, is a national institution, meant to serve the whole Jewish people. As such, it has an obligation to avoid entanglements which cannot but antagonize large numbers of Jews. Moreover, as a national institution, JNF has an obligation to protect the good name of the Jewish people. Associating us all with an unrepentant whose politics are repellent to the majority of Canadians and Americans, both Jewish and gentile, and, I am sure, of Israelis, is a hilul Hashem. It represents astonishing insensitivity to JNF's historic role.

The sponsors of North's lecture apparently hope to tease funds out of their audience through titillation. (North is presumably using the JNF to legitimize and enrich himself. What the officers ofd Shaarei Shomayim hope to gain is altogether unfathomable!) Surely, however, even fundraising must be guided by good sense and good taste. As our sages well knew, "profits can turn into losses," when handled irresponsibly.

Over the years my family and I have been small donors to JNF, planting trees to commemorate joyous occasions and sorrows. In the future we shall find other ways of commemoration.

**Michael Brown**
**Toronto**

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### ASHRAWI'S CLAIM

Mrs. Hannan Ashrawi, the spokesman for the "Palestinian" delegation, was catapulted recently into prominence and attracted a great deal of the media's attention. Perhaps the reason of this rather undeserved fame is, among others, her recent proclamation: "Palestine is my land, I am a descendant of the first Christians."

It would be rather impossible to substantiate her assertion, but assuming it to be so, then her claim to the land of Palestine would be legitimate — but not, however, as an Arab. Isn't it widely accepted that the first Christians were Jews?

**Isaac Josy**
**Toronto**

### CORRECTION

Goldie Morgentaler of Montreal was the sole translator of the play *Les Belles-Soeurs* from French to Yiddish, and not part of a group of translators as incorrectly stated in the editorial on Feb. 27.

### CLARIFICATION

A letter by Mark S. Ansham, a former foreign service officer with the Department of External Affairs, in the Feb. 20 edition of *The CJN*, did not represent the position of the Ontario region of the Canadian Jewish Congress of which he is vice-chairman.

## Opinion

# Columnist gets met with pile of mail

By
RABBI W. GUNTHER PLAUT

I no longer write for the general press as I did in years past. In those days I received an avalanche of mail which usually condemned me, occasionally endorsed what I had to say, and rarely supplied new information on the subject with which I had dealt.

The same pattern persists, though nowadays the volume of mail is much smaller. When reading the samples which follow, please keep in mind that supporters for a printed position will usually nod their heads in agreement but will rarely write while opponents will more likely take their pens in hand.

All correspondence here quoted deals with a single *Globe and Mail* article on the Wannsee Conference, at which a small group of men led by Reinhardt Heydrich laid detailed plans for the "final solution."

One writer notes that Canada and other Western countries turned refugee boats away from their shores, with the unfortunate cargo being shipped back to Germany where they eventually met their death. He writes:

"It would appear to me that this country is as much responsible for the Wannsee Conference as the Germans, not to mention the 'final solution.' Pardon my poor typing, but I get very upset when I see this type of article where all blame is apportioned to the Germans. Morally this country and the Americans should hide their heads in shame. Being from Denmark, I can at least hold my head up a little on the Jewish question, but let him who is without blame cast the first stone."

Rabbi Plaut

Another letter on the same topic:

"A half page devoted to the furthering of self-pity, sympathy and revenge. Do you people think that Jews were the only people killed during World War II? The number of six million — I have never seen in writing the confirmation of this number as being accurate, however I can confirm the number 18,000. This is the number of RCAF casualties (many being my friends) who helped to make it possible for you people to come to this country and carry on a continual campaign of bitching, moaning, groaning, and expressing your self-righteousness.

"Canadians are getting fed-up with this nonsense. Is it any wonder we have problems in Canada today? Did you ever think that if there is anti-Semitism, that it might be self-inflicted! While you are reflecting on Wannsee — maybe you could do some reflecting on conditions in the Middle East. Some of the conditions strike some similar notes as the Nazis."

A seven-page, tongue-in-cheek letter is a take-off on historical revisionsim. The writer pretends (and only toward the end of the letter did I really catch on) that he has bought holus bolus the idea that Hitler was the innocent lamb who was led to slaughter by the Jews, Churchill, and Mackenzie King. So he starts by writing:

"I've been impressed and astonished by your article this a.m. in the *Globe and Mail*. The brilliant CBC has shown us very forcibly, vehemently, savagely, these past two weeks in a three-part documentary revising World War II and showing us all, impressing our youngsters and all new Canadians most of all, that it was decidedly not Hitler who was Public Enemy Number One in 1939, but the vicious ambitions of W. Churchill."

He ends his letter by writing:

"Oh let us waste no time in washing out that foreign queen's head off our stamps and our money bills and replace it with Goebbels, Hitler, Napoleon, Bourassa, one of the Bouchards, or at any rate someone whom we can all trust. Then at last Canada will be on the road to peace, prosperity, happiness and two luxury homes for everyone!"

The letter was signed by "a veteran of six years of World War II warfare."

But occasionally sanity comes a bit more straightforwardly:

"As an undergraduate student [some time ago] I researched the 'final solution' as part of a directed studies course in political philosophy. This is something I have never forgotten. Thank you for your thoughtful and sensitive article which reminds us that we in our time are not exempt from such temptation. I often read your essays and on many occasions I have wanted to drop you a note. I am finally getting around to it."

# *Anti-Semitism comes in different forms*

By
ARNOLD AGES

Three events in the past month have alerted me to a consideration of the growth and impact of anti-Semitism in North America.

The B'nai Brith's League for Human Rights has issued its annual report and it contains disquieting news about an increase in anti-Semitic incidents in Canada triggered ostensibly by the Gulf War, the economic climate in this country and a general attitude of intolerance. The League's American counterpart echoed a similar plaint in its annual document as well.

Equally disturbing was the news, reported in *The Toronto Star* (Feb. 22), that a doctoral candidate at Laval University, Esther Delisle, has been having trouble having her PhD dissertation accepted because of its portraiture of Lionel Groulx, a hero of Quebec nationalism, as a virulent anti-Semite. She has described Groulx and his 1930s youth movement as "racist and fascist."

Perhaps the most unsettling of the month's themes was the "victory" achieved by Patrick Buchanan in the New Hampshire primary. Although he did not best American President George Bush in absolute votes, his strong showing was a message to the incumbent.

Buchanan's much publicized cracks about Congress being Israeli-occupied territory and other bigoted remarks about Jews were never raised during the campaign.

Buchanan's success sparked an outburst of righteous indignation from columnist A. M. Rosenthal who has accused the presidential candidate of introducing anti-Semitism into the mainstream of American politics and of making it acceptable and respectable. What is even more reprehensible in the Rosenthal scenario is the reluctance of the media to identify and confront Buchanan's anti-Semitic rhetoric.

Arnold Ages

It would be easy to react to the three events simply by registering indignation and condemning the kind of public imprimatur of anti-Semitism that Rosenthal is alluding to in his piece. The temptation, however, must be resisted by approaching the subject in a more dispassionate fashion.

The first thing to keep in mind is that anti-Semitism, however deplorable a social pathology, is not a single, unitary phenomenon. This fact has been obscured by the terrible success of one expression of anti-Semitism — Nazism — in annihilating European Jewry. The transition by the Nazis of anti-Semitism into an ideology of mass murder has reinforced in the mind of many that anti-Semitism automatically leads to murder.

While there is unfortunately much hard evidence to support this view, Jewish history and the Holocaust itself suggests that there is not always a necessary link between dislike of the Jews and murder.

One of the most extraordinary chapters in Nehama Tec's book, *When Light Pierced The Darkness*, deals with Poles who were overtly anti-Semitic (some even confessed this to her in interviews when she wrote her book in the 1980s) but who nevertheless risked their lives in occupied Poland to save Jews.

These people had been inculcated through religious education and the pervasive anti-Jewish atmospherics of pre-World War II Polish society, to look upon Jews through the filter of stereotypical anti-Semitism. But when the Nazis arrived they could not countenance the quantum jump from contempt for Jews to genocide. The same phenomenon occurred in the other occupied countries.

It could, of course, be argued that these anti-Semitic "saviors" of Jews were unrepresentative of the populations of Europe whose anti-Semitism expressed itself in less heroic, read collaborationist, ways. Others might argue that the distinction which I am drawing between benign and malignant anti-Semitism is a distinction without a difference.

It seems quite obvious, however, that there is a difference between those who dislike Jews in the same way as they dislike other ethnic groups and those who endorse a diabolical form of anti-Semitism in which Jews are viewed not as human beings suffering from the weaknesses and foibles that characterize humanity as a whole, but as bacteriological agents of an international consortium which is conspiring from both ends of the political spectrum to destroy Christianity.

There is a small school of right-wing French thinkers, moreover, who believe the distinction drawn above to be legitimate. They have been surfacing in recent years and promoting the argument that the Nazis ruined anti-Semitism. By this they mean that criticism of Jews was an entirely legitimate, even honored tradition in French and European society.

Anti-Semitism, from their prespective, meant discriminating against Jews actively in the academy, business and the professions, but it did not mean penning them up in concentration camps and killing them. The Holocaust, in its barbaric war against the Jews, they argue, has made even criticism of the Jews impossible.

It is understandable, of course, why Jews today, still reeling from the effects of the Holocaust, revisionist deniers and anti-Israel propagandists, reject the luxury of making the kinds of distinctness suggested here.

However, from the point of view of strategy, the organized Jewish community ought to entertain these distinctions so that in husbanding its resources, it can respond more effectively to those manifestations of anti-Semitism that truly threaten the integrity of the community.

# Shul crisis a true test for our family

By
ELAINE KAHN

Over the past two months, you have probably read at least one story about the possible demise of the only synagogue in Richmond Hill. As I write this, in late February, its fate is still unknown but, tonight, it doesn't look good. It's my husband's shul.

This column almost didn't get written at all: since we first learned the extent of the shul's financial difficulties a couple of days before last High Holidays, the crisis has built and built and, naturally, has taken over our lives. Tonight we wait for another deadline to come and wonder whether it will be final deadline — we can't think of, or talk about, anything else.

At times like this, one tries to remember what one has to be thankful for. An uncle suggested "at least you have your health," but I'm reluctant to depend on that, given the way I've been chainsmoking this week. But I'm thankful I have my uncle.

I'm thankful for several acts of anonymous generosity my family has benefitted from in the past year, including the candy basket that arrived ten days ago — as much as it drives me crazy not knowing who's being so good to us. Anonymous tzedakkah may be religiously superior, but not being able to say thank you makes me feel rude.

I'm thankful for all those who worked their hearts out to create and sustain a Jewish community in Richmond Hill, both before we came here and since.

Once things are settled, I may write about the situation more directly — now, however, I'll concentrate on my husband, the kids and me. We're part of this congregation in a unique way and, although I think many have wondered how the stress has affected our closeknit foursome, surprisingly few, aside from friends and relatives, have thought to ask.

Elaine Kahn

I know it's not out of malice, it may be nothing more than Canadian reticence, but I suspect it lays bare a fundamental misunderstanding, unfortunately not unique to this community, about what it means to be the rabbi of a shul. Although "job" is not a swearword, the rabbinate is not "just a job."

There seems to be some inability to get past the fact that a rabbi does get paid, and is therefore "staff," to the understanding that being the 24-hour-a-day spritual leader of, pastor to, and teacher of a particular community, whether of hundreds or thousands, is a major religious, deeply emotional involvement.

(The confusion brings to mind a conversation I overheard several years ago in which several very wealthy businessmen were speaking disparagingly of a highly talented, very famous international star as being "merely an entertainer," at the same time were forking out thousands of dollars to watch him perform at a benefit and, in that performance, give them great pleasure.)

Who pays whom musn't wipe out the legal fiction of equality between both parties — there is a reason Jews everywhere refer to "our" rabbi, who reciprocally speaks to others of "my" congregation.

And where does "our rabbi's wife" fit in? In my case, behind the scenes. After an overfull day out supporting other people, the rabbi has to have someone to support him when he comes home. To do my job well, I have to know as much about the congregation as he does. Possibly a scary thought for those who know my desire to write novels . . .

Ironically, I got a phone call just this week asking for my help on a project several congregants want to undertake. It's the first time in the 5½ years we've been here that anyone has taken me up on my oft-repeated offers of help and advice.

That I've made such offers probably comes as news to many members of the congregation — it may even surprise readers who know how adamant I am about not being typecast as a "rebbitzin." The two are not unrelated.

I've made it a solid groundrule not to join synagogue committees. It's my firm belief that congregants have the divine right to shmooze at meetings and complain about their rabbi without his wife sitting there to stifle them. But every time I refused committee membership, I also always stressed that I was just a phone call away for advice or help on individual projects.

To be consistent, I also make a point of not accepting honors, such as making the motzi at a committee event, on the grounds that that would be unfair to active members of the committee who are, by virtue of the work they've put in, more deserving. There is, after all, no special magic holy dust that rubs off on me merely by virtue of my relationship with the rabbi.

Luckily, I have a very good relationship with the rabbi, or I'd never be able to cope with the fallout from holding to my principles!

As for Rachel and Sara, well, they enter their teens in mid-March and I'm saddened that this rite of passage is being marked by crisis, let alone a crisis of the community they love and most definitely consider theirs. A year ago we celebrated their bat mitzvah in the shul — it's just all very hard to think about.

Since then, they have become increasingly active in services, self-styling themselves as their father's "assistants." Whether it's chanting haftarah, leading the Torah service, serving as gabbai (Sara's preferred way of bossing people around) or as an usher (Rachel's), they're involved.

I don't think even our relatives and friends realize that the girls go to shul regularly because they enjoy it so much, not because we coerce them (it's similar to the way some people undervalue their outstanding ability in their Jewish studies, by attributing it to their father's profession rather than to their own efforts and brains).

The tension has started to affect them physically.

And they know neither their father nor I can just kiss it better, as much as we wish we could.

# Features

# *Struggle against Hezbollah continues*

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

The fighting is over, but Israel's struggle with the Hezbollah (Party of God) continues.

Last month, Israeli helicopter gunships ambushed and killed Sheik Abbas Musawi, the Islamic fundamentalist leader of Hezbollah, as he was riding in his Mercedes. The assassination sparked a fierce response from Hezbollah. Israeli settlements in the northern Galilee were shelled for days — forcing thousands of civilians into bomb shelters and prompting Israel to invade two Lebanese Shi'ite villages north of its self-declared security zone. Israel said its incursion was designed to destroy Katyusha launchers.

Within hours of Israel's pullback, Hezbollah fighters returned, and a 5-year-old Israeli girl was killed by a Katyusha rocket, the first such casualty in years.

Under pressure from Syria, Lebanon, Iran and its spiritual leader, Sheik Mohammed Hussein Fadlallah, Hezbollah reluctantly withdrew from the devastated villages, and one more bloody chapter in Israel's decade-old war with Hezbollah ended.

One week later, however, Hezbollah and Israel traded artillery fire, shattering their latest truce.

Hezbollah, with some 10,000 members scattered throughout Lebanon, has not laid down its arms, nor moderated its venom toward Israel. Hezbollah's raison d'etre — the eviction of Israeli forces from the security zone and the eventual destruction of the Jewish state — remains a hallowed precept in radical Shi'ite circles.

Speaking on the eve of the fourth round of Middle East peace talks in Washington, Sheik Hassan Nasrallah, Musawi's successor, seemed to encourage further attacks on Israeli forces when he declared: "The only way to achieve a lasting peace in the Middle East is the return of all the Jewish occupiers to the lands from which they originally came."

Nasrallah's statement, unyielding in rhetoric and substance, did not go unnoticed in Israel. Gen. Ehud Barak, the chief of staff, said that Israel would not hesitate to carry out more punitive actions in southern Lebanon.

So the die has been cast. Sooner rather than later, Hezbollah and Israel will tangle yet again.

Hezbollah arose from the wreckage of Israel's 1982 invasion of Lebanon. Before the Lebanon War, the Shi'ite community, from which Hezbollah recruits almost all its fighters, was not particularly hostile to Israel. Instead, the Shi'ites' chief foe was the PLO, which angered and alienated Shi'ite villagers in southern Lebanon by virtue of its cross-border raids into Israel.

Israel's reprisals, which were swift and devastating, were usually so harmful to Shi'ite interests that clashes pitting Shi'ites against Palestinians were not uncommon.

Given their disillusionment with the Palestinians, most Shi'ites welcomed the Israeli armored columns that stormed into Lebanon in 1982. But when it became clear that the Israelis would not leave in short order, the Shi'ite leadership, encouraged and financed primarily by Syria and Iran, turned its anger toward Israel.

Hezbollah emerged from this chaotic situation, hell-bent on evicting Israeli and Western troops from Lebanon.

For the next three years, Hezbollah and its Palestinian allies engaged Israel in unremitting guerrilla warfare — scoring notable successes by ambushing Israeli convoys, laying mines, triggering remote-controlled roadside explosives, assaulting Israeli bases and, in one spectacular case, blowing up Israeli military headquarters in Sidon.

Not content with hitting only the Israeli military, Hezbollah targeted the Western peacekeeping force, composed of the United States, France, Britain and Italy. These peacekeepers had been dispatched to Lebanon in the late summer of 1982. Among other things, Hezbollah blew up the American Embassy and the U.S. Marine barrack in Beirut. Hezbollah, too, kidnapped Western hostages. Hezbollah is believed to hold Ron Arad, an Israeli air force navigator who was captured in 1986.

After its withdrawal in June 1985, Israel left behind a residual force to patrol the security zone in tandem with the South Lebanon Army (SLA). Israel created the SLA in the wake of its 1978 mini-invasion of Lebanon. It is under command of a Maronite Christian Lebanese, Antoine Lahad, and is composed of about 2,500 men, some of whom are Shi'ites.

Since 1985, Hezbollah, which is unswervingly pro-Iranian, has killed and wounded several hundred SLA and Israeli troops in the security enclave (which runs from the Mediterranean Sea to the foothills of Mt. Hermon.) Despite these casualties, Hezbollah is not considered a real military threat to Israel, like Syria, but more of a persistent nuisance.

More often than not, Israel reacts to Hezbollah attacks by mounting small-scale infantry raids, artillery barrages and aerial bombardments. But once in a while, Israel stages a major ground and air operation, such as the one last month, which claimed the lives of two Israeli soldiers.

It was Israel's largest raid against Hezbollah positions since May 1988, when Israeli armor penetrated the village of Maidun, near Syrian lines, and fought a pitched battle with its defenders. Three Israeli soldiers were lost in that encounter.

In recent months, especially since the start of direct Arab-Israeli peace talks, which it opposes, Hezbollah has escalated its anti-Israel guerrilla campaign. To Hezbollah and its main backer, Iran, Israel is a repugnant phenomenon. "Our confrontation with the Zionist entity must end with its obliteration from existence," reads a recent tract issued by Hezbollah.

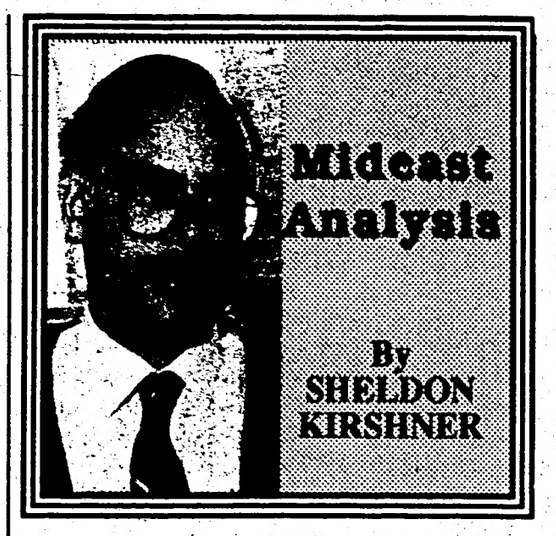
Observers agree that southern Lebanon will be a flashpoint of Israel-Hezbollah violence so long as the Lebanese government is not firmly in control of that rugged region. In its quest to cobble together Lebanon after years of civil war, the newly unified Lebanese army has disarmed all but one of the country's fiercely independent militias.

Hezbollah is the glaring exception, partly because Syria — Lebanon's big brother — uses it to keep Israeli forces in southern Lebanon under fire, and partly because Iran — Syria's ally — is protective of Hezbollah.

Hezbollah can be disarmed, and defanged, only if Israel, Syria, Lebanon, Iran and the United States can agree to terms with respect to defusing the endemic tension in southern Lebanon.

But such a solution, which in all likelihood would entail full Israeli and Syrian withdrawals from Lebanon, appears far off at this juncture.

Israeli soldiers advance toward Hezbollah positions in southern Lebanon last month (RNS photo).




One year after Iraq ruthlessly crushed a Kurdish uprising, the Kurdish question continues to fester.

Last March, shortly after Iraq was routed in the Gulf War, the Kurdish minority, tacitly encouraged by the United States, rebelled. The Kurds — a semi-nomadic people who've been fighting for independence for years — were handily defeated. The United States did not lift a finger to help the Kurds.

Terrified of Iraqi reprisals, 1.5 million Kurdish civilians fled their homes in northern Iraq. Braving harsh winter weather, they headed into Turkey and Iran, in one of the biggest refugee movements ever recorded. In the process, several thousand Kurds died of exposure and starvation.

To lure the Kurds back, and to protect them from the wrath of Iraq, the United States took the lead in establishing a Kurdish security zone above the 36th parallel in Iraqi territory. The United States, Britain, France and Holland also dispatched troops to that enclave. The allies formally withdrew last July, although most of the Kurdish refugees had still not returned to northern Iraq. As a deterrent to Iraq, the United States conspicuously left combat planes just across the border in Turkey.

Saddam Hussein, who has managed to cling to power despite his catastrophic defeat, seems unimpressed by this show of force. It has not stopped him from launching pinprick attacks against Kurdish guerrillas south of the security zone, nor from imposing an economic blockade against Kurds who've returned to that enclave.

## Plight of the Kurds

Some analysts believe that if U.S. aircraft in Turkey are withdrawn in June according to schedule, Iraq may well step up its offensive. Its goal would be to dismantle the security zone.

In the meantime, the Kurds have engaged Iraq in drawn-out negotiations for Kurdish autonomy. The Kurds, for decades, have been struggling to attain full autonomy — not only in Iraq but elsewhere in the Middle East.

(Few Kurdish leaders speak openly of actual sovereignty. They realize that a fullblown Kurdish state — an independent Kurdistan — is an extremely remote possibility. For this to happen, Iraq, Iran, Turkey and Syria — where most of the dispersed Kurds have lived for centuries — would have to make sweeping territorial concessions.)

Not surprisingly, Iraq and the Kurds have failed to reach a modus vivendi on autonomy, partly because of Iraq's stalling tactics, and partly because the Kurds do not want to sever their long-standing ties with foreign governments.

The impasse is exacerbated by the Kurds' inability to present a united front. Tribalism, one of their recurring problems, has reared its head once again with the feud between the two principal Kurdish leaders, Massoud Barzani and Jalal Talabani.

In the final analysis, Kurdish mistrust and fear of Iraq lie at the heart of the current failure to reach a settlement over autonomy.

In 1988, as the Iran-Iraq War wound down, the Iraqi army indiscriminately bombed the Kurdish town of Halabja with chemical weapons. Five thousand men, women and children died in that assault. As well, the Kurds remember that Iraq never fully implemented the provisions of a 1970 accord on autonomy.

The bitter truth is that the Kurds — the largest aggrieved national minority in the Middle East — have few friends, either in the West or the Arab world.

After World War I, the Kurds were promised autonomy under the 1920 Treaty of Sevres, but the 1923 Treaty of Lausanne rendered it irrelevant.

The United States — and Israel — backed a Kurdish revolt in the early 1970s. But in 1975, after Iran and Iraq settled their differences over the Shatt al-Arab waterway, the United States abandoned the Kurds to their fate. Washington, however, may help the Kurds if the United States tries to overthrow Saddam Hussein.

Neither Iran nor Syria are sympathetic to Kurdish national claims. And Turkey, which until last year banned the speaking of Kurdish, regularly carries out military strikes against separatist Kurdish guerrillas.

# The year of the floods

By
MICHELE CHABIN

The fields of Moshav Masua, an Israeli collective farm in the Jordan Valley, should be ready for harvest about now. The fact that they are not will cost its farmers hundreds of thousands of dollars.

The members of Masua are not alone. Throughout the country, farmers are still coming to grips with the havoc wreaked by Israel's worst winter weather in more than a century.

While Israelis referred to 1991 as the year of the SCUDS, 1992 is already being called the year of the floods. Add to that the record-cold temperatures and unprecedented snowfalls that have characterized this crazy winter, and the result is hundreds of millions of dollars in damage.

The pained look on the face of Masua's secretary, Eli Gutman, as he walked through the fields said it all.

"The eggplants were the hardest hit," he said, pointing to row upon row of shrivelled plants. "The green peppers were also badly damaged by the moisture and extreme cold, and so were many of the flowers."

At the flower-packing plant, he fingered a bunch of narcissus and pointed to the little brown flecks that mar the petals. "Because of these, we can't sell the flowers abroad. Therefore, we'll need to market them locally at a lower price," he said.

Though the moshav was fortunate in many respects — some crops were unaffected, and most of the damaged fields will yield produce in the future — a good deal of this season's yield was destroyed.

While cold snaps have previously hit the picturesque Jordan Valley — a region renowned for its mild temperatures and winter crops — the farmers have never had to contend with such sustained bad weather.

"Winter produce has always been our niche in the market," observed Gutman. "During winter, there is a scarcity of vegetables and, therefore, higher prices. We've replanted some of the vegetables, but they won't be ready until April or May — a time when there's more competition and lower prices."

The losses have been even greater for farmers in the Galilee and the Golan Heights. Blizzards have dropped several feet of snow in some places, causing chicken houses, cow sheds and greenhouses to collapse under the weight.

The members of Kibbutz Metsar, on the southern slope of the Golan Heights, have had to contend with all three collapsing. In addition, the cold destroyed about 35 tons of this year's avocado crop.

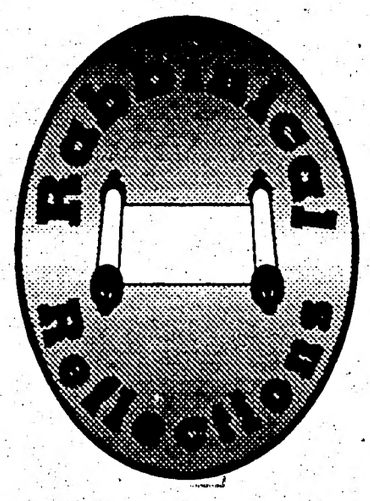
Though the final figures have not been tallied, Metsar secretary Arnon Peri estimates that the kibbutz's losses could reach $1 million (U.S.). Another snowfall could raise the numbers even higher.

"Ten of our cows were killed in the last storm, and many other cows were injured. We were a bit luckier with the chickens, but some died as well. We've sent the cows to another kibbutz until we rebuild the shed, and we're losing the income from the milk," said Peri.

"The worst part is the avocados. Not only is this year's crop gone, but probably the next two years' crop as well. Insurance will cover some of this year's losses, but what about next year, or the year after that?"

Relief, in the form of government compensation, may be on the way. Last week, the cabinet voted unanimously to declare that the agriculture industry had suffered a natural disaster, thereby enabling the Natural Disaster Law to take effect.

Under this law, all farmers who can prove their losses were caused by the harsh weather — and who carry either government or private insurance — are entitled to government assistance. *(JTA)*




By
RABBI YAKOV TAVIS

*"Remember what Amalek did to you as you were on your way out of Egypt; how, unprovoked, he suddenly and barbarously attacked the weak and helpless straggling to the rear.*

*You were faint and weary and he did not fear God. So, when Hashem your God grants you rest from all your enemies, surrounding you in the land which Hashem your God gives you as an inheritance to possess — wipe out the rememberance of Amalek from under heaven. Don't forget!" (Deuteronomy 25:17-19)*

This Sabbath is called Shabbat Zachor (Remember!) because we read these terse passages as a special "maftir" in anticipation of the festival of Purim, celebrated the following week.

Three commandments are contained within these verses:

To remember the despicable behavior of Amalek.

Not to forget it.

To wipe out his remembrance from the face of the earth.

These commandments apply at all times and in all places. The rabbis of the Talmud, however, have instructed us to gather once a year in our synagogues to remember his atrocities communally.

Who was Amalek? The descendant of Jacob's archrival Esau, we are introduced to him as a leader of a tribe that aggressively raided the people of Israel in exodus from centuries of slavery. (Ex. 17:8) "Other nations heard, they trembled ... their generals were afraid ... trembling took hold of their soldiers ... civilians melted away." (Ex. 15:14, 15) But Amalek was not moved by the Divine miracles showered upon the Israelites, and the plagues directed toward the Egyptians. Brazenly, he led his warriors to inflict their cruelty in the most cowardly ways upon the defenseless.

Amalek is the archetypical inhumane human — the man with no conscience. In the Torah's terminology, this lack of conscience is portrayed as "not fearing God". Throughout the ages we have encountered Amalekites. The Haftorah (Samuel 1:15:1-34) relates how King Saul did not fulfil the mitzvah of "wiping out the rememberance of Amalek" sufficiently. He let Agag, their king, live long enough to have a child, who in turn became the ancestor of Haman, the villain of the Purim story. The legacy of Amalek's character, heartless hatred and cruelty toward the innocent, manifested itself throughout history in the personalities of Haman, Hitler and, most recently, Saddam Hussein. Uprovoked, they all let forth their hatred upon the innocent, young and old alike.

In Rausching's *The Voice of Destruction*, Hitler is quoted as saying,"I free humanity from the shackles of the soul, from the degrading suffering caused by the false vision called conscience and morality ... The Jews have inflicted two wounds on mankind — circumcision on its body and conscience on its soul. These are Jewish inventions...." It is most interesting to note an ancient midrash that relates how Amalek would sever the circumcision of Israelite captives and defiantly throw them heavenwards!

Why is it so important to remember Amalek's atrocities or to increase our consciousness of human callousness? The answer is found in a careful reading of Parshat Zahor. We are told to remember Amalek and then paradoxically to wipe his memory out completely. The way to comprehend this is to realize that the only reason for raising our consciousness of evil in the world is to act against such brutality, to extinguish any trace of it!

In our age we don't have an easily recognizable descendant of Amalek, but his influence is everywhere. How do we apply these mitzvot to our lives?

It is to easy to preserve and present evil atrocities in all the detail of their horror in news reports, documentaries, books, movies, and museums. We are all bombarded with graphic depictions of belligerent behavior in the comfort of our living rooms, the excitement of the theatre and the somberness of Holocaust memorials.

But how do we react? Some may cry or get angry. Others may express their outrage in condemning words. This is all quite appropriate. But our Parshah tells us that the only justification for indulging our minds and hearts in the despicable is so that we will become activists against any remnant of such persecution.

It is quite easy to react in the privacy of our own thoughts or even with verbal denouncements, but it's not enough. In recent times, many have drawn inspiration from Shabbat Zachor to get involved in activities aimed toward freeing Syrian Jews from the contemporary cruelties of Hafez el Assad.

Still, the Torah goes further, calling upon us to step in and stop even the slightest cruelty we encounter. Whether the perpetrators be our friends or even ourselves, whether it be malicious actions or just words, we must also combat the Amalek of our own daily experiences.

The Jewish way to commemorate cruelty is to wage a war against it in every place and at all times. Don't forget!

*Rabbi Yakov Tavis is Hillel chaplain at McGill and Concordia Universities in Montreal.*

# Yeshiva U offers scholarships

**NEW YORK —**

To provide training programs for Jewish educators and administrators, the David J. Azrieli Graduate Institute of Jewish Education and Administration of Yeshiva University in New York City is offering master's degree scholarships and fellowships for its 1992 Summer Block Program, it has been announced by director D. Yitzchak Handel.

The Block Program allows students to complete course requirements leading to the master of science degree in Jewish education in two summers of study. Fifteen students will be selected for scholarships covering total tuition costs of $7,900 (U.S.). Those from outside the New York metropolitan area will receive an additional $1,000 (U.S.) expense allowance with local students receiving a smaller amount.

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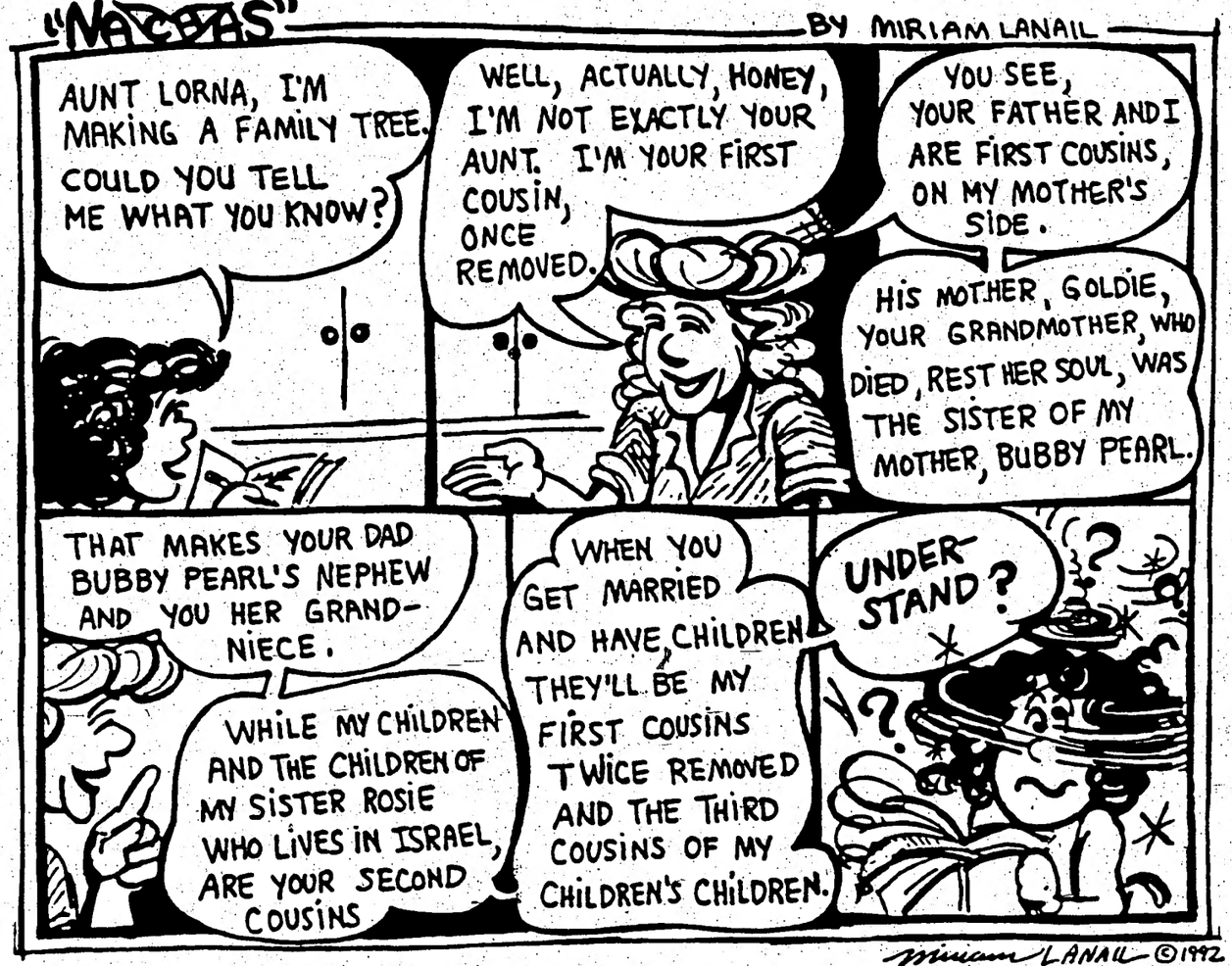
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# Organizations and People

# Baycrest rejects proposals to standardize health care

By
RON CSILLAG

TORONTO —

Ontario's proposed reforms to long-term health care and support services in this province could dilute the world-famous quality of care at the Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care, officials there agree.

Although the main thrust of the public consultation paper, entitled the Redirection of Long-Term Care and Support Services in Ontario, is to keep people out of institutions for as long as possible — with which Baycrest has no quarrel — among its effects will be "one size fits all" long-term health care, says Moshe Greengarten, Baycrest's vice-president of public and community affairs.

Another aim of the proposal is province-wide standardization of long-term care and support services. Baycrest recognizes uniformity would raise the level of services in some centres but fears it will mean its own care will have nowhere to go but down.

On its face, health officials agree the plan is well-intentioned. It calls for revamping an array of services, including those for the elderly and disabled that include old-age and nursing homes, chronic care hospitals and community programs like Meals-on-Wheels and visiting nurses.

The proposed reforms call for

- increased funding for community services and more support for caregivers. (Baycrest says the government has failed to provide details of the type of services families can expect to deal with the physical, emotional and financial stress of caring for a parent or child);
- co-ordinating and integrating long-term care services through about 40 "service co-ordination agencies" which will supposedly provide one-stop shopping for home care and for those seeking to leave hospitals and nursing homes. (Baycrest wonders how cash-strapped Queen's Park will afford that and worries that central agencies will be insensitive to ethnic and cultural needs, such as kosher food).
- introducing funding, eligibility and service standards.

The proposal means the NDP, like the Liberals before them, want to guarantee a minimum level of chronic care in Ontario.

It came about because this province has the highest rate of institutionalization in Canada (six percent of those over 65) and because the number of people over 85 will more than double by the year 2010. Institutions are bursting at the seams and beds for them are getting scarcer.

ting edge of services to the aged, and that those services would suffer if tinkered with.

Another reason for concern is that the plan calls for a freeze on beds in long-term care facilities since it reasons that fewer people will need them.

But Greengarten says even if Ontario's rate of institutionalization was kept down to five percent, the province would still need 18,000 more beds over the next 20 years because of rapid aging in the community.

He adds that fully 80 percent of institutional beds are now occupied by Alzheimer's patients. Greengarten wonders whether the old and frail will have access to beds when they exhaust community services.

He also worries that under the plan, the government will calculate its funding of Baycrest by measuring and classifying residents into levels of care. That, he feels, would not only create more bureaucracy but it could reduce funding.

Another public information meeting on the proposal will take place March 12 at the Wagman Centre (55 Ameer Ave.) starting at 1:30 p.m. For information, call (416) 789-5131 ext. 2645.

## *Public forum*

Last week, over 150 concerned people turned out at Baycrest for a public forum on the NDP's proposal, unveiled by Health Minister Frances Lankin in October.

The evening was organized by and for families of Baycrest patients, and those who spoke expressed not only a fear of change but also what they feel would be a diminution of services at Baycrest.

Boiled down, the Jewish community fears the government's plan will be what Baycrest terms "a prescription for mediocrity" for it and for other agencies catering to Jewish seniors.

Greengarten says one reason for concern is that aging in the Jewish community is 20 to 25 years ahead of the general population.

"That means we've been facing problems everyone else won't see for awhile," he told *The CJN*.

It also means places like Baycrest have been at the cut-

## BONDS SKI DAY

**Taking part in the 3rd annual Israel Bonds ski day were (from left), George Grossman, Bernie Abrams and Harvey Solursh. The ski day at Craigleith Ski Club was organized by Loren Kruger of the construction development division of Israel Bonds. Eighty-five people participated in what was billed as a social and awareness event for Israel Bonds.**


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# Fackenheim set to lecture

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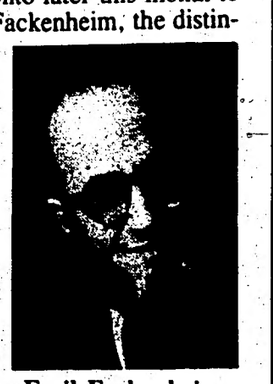
Scholars from Canada, the United States and Israel will assemble in Toronto later this month to celebrate Professor Emil Fackenheim, the distinguished Jewish philosopher.



**Emil Fackenheim**

Fackenheim, who taught at the University of Toronto until making aliyah in 1983, was 75 last summer.

The celebration will take the form of a public semi-autobiographical lecture on March 23, How My Mind Has Changed, which will be chaired by Rose Wolfe, chancellor of the University of Toronto. The event will be part of a two-day symposium on various aspects of Fackenheim's philosophy.

Rabbi Fackenheim is considered one of the foremost Jewish thinkers of our time. His many books and essays have helped a generation of Jews to make sense of their Judaism in the shadow of the Holocaust.

Major papers at the symposium will be presented by Michael Morgan, who has edited a representative anthology of Fackenheim's thought; Alice and Roy Eckardt, writers on Jewish-Christian relations; Professor David Demson of Emmanuel College in Toronto; Rabbi Herman Schaalman of Chicago, one of Fackenheim's oldest friends; and Rabbi Gunther Plaut.

Those scheduled to chair sessions include Professor Gavriel Ben Dor, former rector of Haifa University; Professor William Dunphy, the outgoing principal of St. Michael's College, University of Toronto; and Professors Howard Adelman and Michael Brown of York University.

Other Canadian-Jewish scholars to take part in the symposium are Arnold Ages, Michael Bodesman and Louis Greenspan, who is the co-editor of a festschrift in honor of Fackenheim, which is about to be published by the University of Toronto Press.

The celebration has been organized by Rabbi Dow Marmur of Holy Blossom Temple, where all events will be held.

For particulars about the symposium, please contact Hilary Kay at (416) 789-3291.

# Economy seen as key issue for Israelis

By
CAROLYN BLACKMAN

**TORONTO —**

The vast majority of the Israeli electorate is more interested in the rate of inflation, unemployment and immigrant absorption than they are in the peace process, says a visiting professor at York University.

"The peace process is a huge ideological issue but Israelis do not vote on ideology, they vote on issues," says Gabriel Ben-Dor.

Ben-Dor, past rector of Haifa University, a former senior fellow of the Dayan Centre for Middle Eastern Studies at Tel Aviv University and a past president of the Israel Political Science Association spoke recently at a breakfast meeting at Temple Har Zion, sponsored by the Institute for International Affairs of B'nai Brith Canada and the Kadima committee of the temple.

He told the group that the problem Israelis have with the peace process is that they view it as having to give up something concrete and irreversible while getting something inconcrete and irreversible in return. "It is the public belief that the primary mission of the peace process is to transfer negotiations so that Israel gets something concrete such as less army, fewer taxes and less physical danger. That would be perceived as the concrete aspect of the peace process."

He added that the Israeli view is to say yes to granting concessions but "in such a way that will yield concrete benefits. The concessions, however, should not be so big as to be irreversible if the talks break down."

Ben-dor cited a poll taken of the central committee of the Likud party in Israel and said that they are committed to the peace process and do feel that it will yield results. "As long as Yitzhak Shamir continues in the peace process, he will have full backing from the Likud party."

He noted that 94 percent of the Likud party feels that Shamir is performing well. "In general, Israelis are far more critical of government leaders than we are in Canada and the United States so it is astounding that so many approve of Shamir."

Whereas territorial compromise used to be a taboo topic, he said, it has become an acceptable way of thinking. "The Likud feels that the drift of the Israeli public is towards making territorial compromise.

"Territorial compromise, however, means different things to different people. To some it means that Syria and Israel will split the Golan Heights, and to the Labor party it means that those strategically important areas not heavily populated by Arabs should be held by Israel while areas heavily populated by Arabs should go to them. The concept of territorial compromise, however, is permeating all sectors of Israeli public thinking."

Ben-Dor said that the bottom line is that the closer we get to the Israeli elections, the fewer differences there are between the major political parties.

"There is a substantial philosophical difference between the Likud and Labor parties but slowly both sides are moving towards the centre. There will not be a big difference between the two parties, whoever wins."

The big issue, Ben-Dor says, is not who wins the election but rather, whether there will be a stable government of any kind. "It almost does not matter which party wins, as long as there is a stable government," he said.

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## Organizations and People

# Canadian volunteers feted at assembly

By
BEN ROSE

TORONTO —

Forty Canadian volunteers for Israel, including eight who were there when Scud missiles were flying overhead, were honored at the 10th anniversary assembly of Sar-El in Jerusalem recently.

One, Linda Morgenstein of Toronto, composed a poem for the occasion and she was asked to read it to the assembly.

The Canadians came from Winnipeg, Montreal, Toronto, Tillsonburg, Ont., and Englehart, Ont.

"The proudest ones among us were those who served during the Gulf War," said Harry Wolle, Canadian president of Volunteers for Israel. "Their efforts were given special recogniton by a general of the Israeli Defence Force who said 'During the Gulf War the only things flying over Israel were Scuds and Volunteers for Israel.' "

Eighteen of the 40 volunteers at the assembly were women and the group included a chartered accountant and his daughter. A total of 12 have done three-week stints as volunteers more than once.

President Chaim Herzog of Israel, in a tribute to the group, said Sar-El has brought 30,000 volunteers to Israel in 10 years, including 1,250 during the Gulf War.

One of the lasting impressions of the Canadians was the snowfall that played havoc with traffic in Jerusalem and storms which uprooted beautiful palm trees, Wolle said. The snowstorms were so bad that the schedule of the Canadian group was disrupted. "When we got back to Canada the weather was balmy," Wolle said.

### *Next trip*

The organization's next trip will leave May 11. The three week work program costs $999 and includes the flight on El Al airlines, kosher room and board, as well as side trips and lectures.

For information about volunteering for Israel phone 781-6089, between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. or write to 788 Marlee Ave., Ste. 301, Toronto, M6B 3K1.

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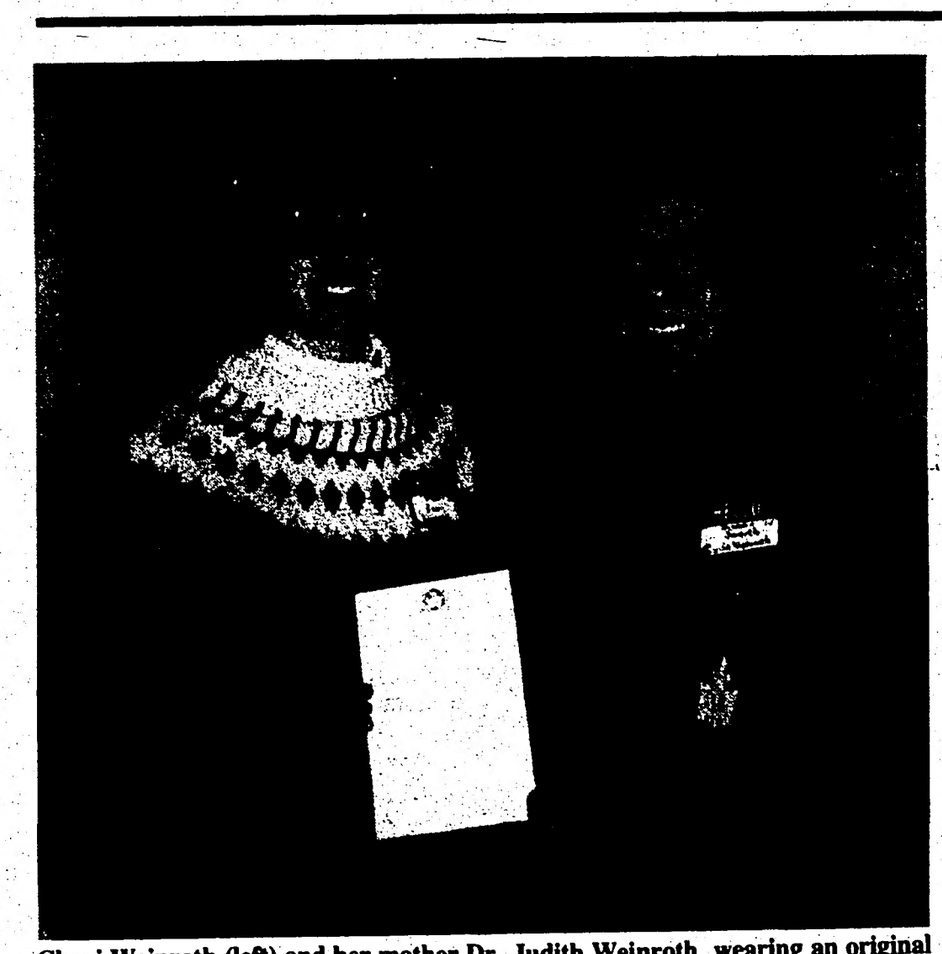

Chavi Weinroth (left) and her mother Dr. Judith Weinroth, wearing an original school sweatshirt and holding her 1965 graduation program, are both alumnae of CHAT. [Frances Kraft photo]

# CHAT students reclaim books at school reunion

By
FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —

Years after graduating from CHAT (Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto), students from as far back as 1978 finally had an opportunity to reclaim their long-forgotten Grade 13 chemistry lab books at the recent CHAT reunion.

Tom Jutcovitch, who taught chemistry at the school for 17 years before leaving for Harbord Collegiate in 1990, didn't have the heart to throw out the lab books, which he had collected from the students at the very end of their final year. "There was so much work in them," he told *The CJN*. Reunion organizers had piled stacks of lab books under a sign reading, "Mr. Jutcovitch says you can take home your lab books tonight."

Another item of memorabilia which survived the years was brought to the reunion by Ira Kleinberg, class of '73: a detailed point-form diary which he kept when he travelled to Kibbutz Saad, near Beersheva, with his graduating class.

Kleinberg wrote in his diary about waking up with his classmates at 1 a.m. to take the bus to Jerusalem for Israel's 25th anniversary celebration. The students waited on the street in front of the JNF building in Jerusalem from 4 until 10 in the morning to see the Yom Ha'atzmaut parade, complete with tanks, soldiers and jeeps.

Reading the diary evoked a host of memories for Kleinberg and his high school buddies, who have remained friends over the years. "We worked in the carrot fields. We picked plums and watermelons. We picked onions. I helped deliver a baby cow. It was a great experience," he said.

There was a lot of reminiscing going on in the small gym at 200 Wilmington Ave., CHAT's home since 1980. The room, designated for "shmoozing," was packed, in contrast to the large gym which was designated for dancing.

In a brief speech, Rabbi Marvin Pachino, CHAT's headmaster, welcomed over 300 former students and a handful of staff and former staff. He commended alumni co-ordinator Marilyn Cohen and her committee who organized the reunion, and lauded CHAT's staff as well. Although some of the faces may have changed, he said, they demonstrate "the same caring and concern for students."

As if to validate Rabbi Pachino's words, shortly after he spoke Susan Wolman, class of '83, greeted Dr. Eli Honig, who teaches computer science and physics, with obvious enthusiasm and sincerity, telling him he was "the nicest teacher at CHAT."

CHAT now has 600 students, said Rabbi Pachino. One hundred sixteen will be graduating this year, and there are 155 registered for Grade 9 in the 1992-93 year.

"We look forward to continued growth and to the growth of the alumni association," he concluded.

Evidence of that growth includes the first family with two generations of alumni. Dr. Judith (Schild) Weinroth, who was in the first graduating class (1965) of the then Toronto Hebrew Day High School, attended the reunion with her daughter Chavi, class of '89. Son Aaron graduated last year, and two other Weinroth children are currently students at the school.

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Over $1,000 was raised at the reunion, part of which will go towards gifts for graduating students.

# Winnipeg Women's ORT honors long time member

WINNIPEG —

Winnipeg Women's ORT has named long time member Judy Saifer its Woman of the Year for 1991. The award is based on dedication, involvement and experience in ORT activities.

Saifer has been an ORT member for over 18 years. She has been particularly active locally for the past 10 years. A member of Winnipeg Women's ORT's original Alon Chapter, she has served as regional treasurer for the organization for the last six years and was regional vice-president for a time.

"Whether volunteers are needed for ORT programs, I'm there," says Saifer. "I help in whatever way I can."

The award was presented to Saifer at ORT's annual Chanukah Party on Dec. 11 at the home of Bonnie Bricker. About 25 ladies were in attendance.

Winnipeg Women's ORT has three active chapters and about 600 registered members.

Saifer has two children, Michael and Leah, living in Toronto.

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# Organizations and People

# What's New

By
MIRIAM CHINSKY

## DEADLINE REMINDER

**Please note that the deadline for What's New and About People is Thursday, two weeks prior to publication date (i.e. Thursday, March 12 is deadline for March 26 issue and Thursday, March 19 is deadline for April 2 issue).**

**Also, please remember that I am at my desk on Thursdays only to receive your calls and sort my mail.**

## Thursday, March 12

**LONG-TERM CARE MEETING**

Voice your concerns at a public meeting to discuss the government's proposed redirection of long-term care, to be held 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 12 in the Wagman Centre assembly room, 55 Ameer Ave. For more information, telephone 789-5131 ext. 2645.

**DAFKA INDEED - A JEWISH CAFE**

Dafka Indeed - A Jewish Cafe, 585 Bloor St. W. at Markham, is open every Thursday, 7:30-10:30 p.m. On March 12, **Jono Lightstone** and **Larry Lewis**, flute and guitar, will entertain with classical and klesmer music framed in 19th century French Jewish history. And, a Purim party with **Rabbi Debra Bryn** on March 19th, will focus on an interpretation of the Megillah plus music.

**SEXUAL HARASSMENT FORUM**

What is sexual harassment? What should you do if you feel that you are being harassed? Will you lose your job if you complain? These and other questions will be answered at a Sexual Harassment Forum slated for 7:15 p.m. Thursday, March 12 in North York council chambers, 5100 Yonge St.

The forum, sponsored by B'nai Brith Women of Canada includes panelists **Alan Shefman,** Ontario Human Rights Commission; **Malcolm McKillop,** a specialist in labor and employment law; **Cindy Wilkie,** labor relations, pay equity, human rights and pensions specialist.

Admission is $5 at the door. For more information call 630-9313.

## Saturday, March 14

Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Congregation, 55 Yeomans Rd., welcomes you to a Gala Auction Evening, Saturday March 14. Preview is at 8 p.m., auction, 8:30. Free admission.

**FOR SENIORS**

**Canadian Israeli Club Aluma** for Israelis and Hebrew speaking persons 55 and over, meets every Wednesday evening from 7:30-9:30 at the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. For information, call **Avner Meiri,** 771-0250, **Oved Azuri,** 631-9794 or **Shelley Dunkelman** at the Wagman Centre, 789-5131, ext. 2273.

On Thursday, March 12 at 2 p.m., join the **Bloor Y Branch Good Age Club,** 750 Spadina Ave., for entertainment by the Huron St. School Choir. Cost, $1, includes bagels and coffee. For more information, call **Luni,** 924-6211.

## BAKE SALE

**A grade 6 fundraising bake sale at the Leo Baeck Day School raised $400 to be directed to the Adam Balinsky Fund at the Hospital For Sick Children for pain management equipment and research. Making the presentation are Danielle Ostfield and Mark Uster, with Claus Wirsig, president of the hospital's Foundation.**

## Sunday, March 15

**PURIM CELEBRATION**

Hadassah-WIZO Chana Szenes Chapter, cordially invites you and your friends to its annual Purim Party, 3 p.m. Sunday, March 15 at the Habonim Congregation Hall, 5 Glen Park Ave. (Glencairn and Bathurst). Vice-president **Fran Sonshine** is guest speaker and entertainment will be provided by pianist **Lola Julitta Burns** with vocalist **Lilian Keltz.**

Admission is $15 per person. Coffee and baked goods will be served and there will be door prizes and raffle tickets. Proceeds are for Hadassim Children and Youth Village in Israel. Your donation will be appreciated and a receipt issued for tax deduction. To reserve, call **Sara,** 733-3098.

**A VISION IN THE DARKNESS**

Hailed by the Montreal Mirror as " a fascinating first hand account that documents Quebec history during the 20th century" and Le Devoir as a " thrilling and important film,", *A Vision in the Darkness*, a feature length documentary chronicling the life of 87 year old Quebec Jewish pacifist, union and feminist activist **Lea Roback,** will be screened at 2 p.m. Sunday, March 15 in the Winchevsky Centre, 585 Cranbrooke Ave. A discussion follows and refreshments will be available.

Tickets, $4 in advance, are available at Toronto Women's Book Store, 73 Harbord St. or This Ain't The Rosedale Library, 483 Church St. Cost is $5 at the door. For advance phone orders and enquires re group rates, call 533-6682 or 767-8296.

The film is presented under the auspices of Outlook magazine.

**MYSTICISM AND MESSIANISM**

University of Toronto Jewish Studies Program and Frank Talmage Memorial Fund, present **Prof. Moshe Idel,** Department of Jewish Thought, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, author of *Kabbalah: New Perspectives*, who will examine Mysticism and Messianism in the Middle Ages, 7:30 p.m. Sunday, March 15, Room 205 Faculty of Library and Information Science, 140 St. George St. A seminar on The Relationship between Mysticism and Philosophy in Judaism is scheduled for 2 p.m. the same day in Room 240 University College, 15 King's College Circle,

Members of the staff, students and the public are cordially invited to the lecture and seminar.

**ISRAELI PROFESSIONALS PARTY**

Sing, dance and participate in games with entertainers **Doron Ofir** and **Rivka Atzmony** at a Purim party planned by the Association of Israeli Professionals, 8 p.m. Sunday, March 15 in the Bernard Betel Centre, 1003 Steeles Ave. W. Refreshments will be served. Admission is $12 for Association members, $15, non-members. For more details call **Shula,** 495-7453.

**KINGS, COWARDS AND ...**

Kings, Cowards and a Pinch of Flour, is the intriguing title for a between-the-lines story of Purim by **Rabbi Baruch Taub,** 8:30 p.m. Sunday, March 15 at Ohr Somayach/JEP Thornhill, 613 Clark Ave. W. Free admission. For further information, call 886-5730.

**HOLY BLOSSOM BREAKFAST CLUB**

Toronto writer and filmmaker **Michael Jacot** will discuss his new novel, *The Last Butterfly*, when he views The Holocaust Through Non-Jewish Eyes, at a meeting of Holy Blossom Temple Brotherhood Breakfast Club, 1950 Bathurst St., Sunday, March 15. Everyone is welcome. Services at 9 a.m., breakfast 9:30.

**DI GOLDENE MEYDLAKH**

Friends of Yiddish present the Beth Am Players in *Di Goldene Meydlakh*, (The Golden Girls) a musical for Purim, written and directed by **Roz Federman,** 8 p.m. Sunday, March 15, at the Workmen's Circle, 471 Lawrence Ave. W. Members free, non-members, $6. Hamantaschen will be served. For more information, call **Gloria,** 882-8437, evenings.

**BETH DAVID BROTHERHOOD**

**Gabriel Ben-Dor,** University of Haifa, currently visiting professor at York University's Centre for Strategic Studies, will offer his perspective on Israel in the Middle East, when he addresses Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am Brotherhood, 55 Yeomans Rd., 9:15 a.m. Sunday, March 15. Breakfast is $3 per person and everyone is welcome.

**CHRISTIAN INVOLVEMENT**

Present Day Christian Involvement on Behalf of the Jewish Community, will be explained by **Al Lezerte,** executive director of Canadian Friends, Christian Embassy, Jerusalem, at Beth Tzedec Men's Club breakfast program, Sunday, March 15. Breakfast 9:30 a.m. (nominal charge) lecture, 10 a.m. Everyone welcome.

## Monday, March 16

**ISRAEL PHILATELY**

The Canadian Association for Israel Philately holds its next meeting 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 16 at Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue, 470 Glencairn Ave. The group is looking for new members as well as guest speakers with topics of interest and/or to show aspects of their collections. Please contact **Alvin Dickstein,** 594-8919 days, or **Hartley Garshowitz,** 665-3555 days, 731-9268 evenings.

**CHABAD LUBAVITCH**

What Do the Rabbis Say? the Chabad Lubavitch Monday evening lecture series for men and women, continues 7:45-8:35 p.m. March 16 when **Rabbi Yosef Gansburg** talks about Unmasking Purim, and asks if there is more to Purim than celebrating a victory from the past. At 8:50 p.m., Rabbi M. Berenstein considers The Mid-East Peace Talks, posing the question, should Israel surrender land for peace?

**LIVING WILLS**

Taylor Place Senior Adult Centre, 1 Overland Dr., offers a seminar on Living Wills, Power of Attorney and Euthanasia, with **Rita Chrolavicius,** lawyer with the Advocacy Centre for the Elderly and **Jim Laverty,** graduate fellow in bioethics, University of Toronto, 1:30 p.m. Monday, March 16. This is free and open to the public. Call 447-7244 to register.

## Tuesday, March 17

**T'NACH STUDY GROUP**

The Tuesday, March 17 session of the T'nach Study Group will focus on the Book of Samuel Part II, chapter XXII, with **Rabbi Sheldon Steinberg.** The group meets at Associated Hebrew School, 3630 Bathurst St.

## Wednesday, March 18

**CHILDREN'S PURIM CARNIVAL**

You are invited to join in the annual Children's Purim Carnival at the Beach Synagogue, 109 Kenilworth Ave., 7 p.m. Wednesday, March 18. Youngsters are encouraged to wear their Mordecai, Esther, Haman (and other) costumes. Reading of the Megillah will follow at 7:30 p.m. Call 694-7942 for more information.

**LUNCH AND LEARN**

Holy Blossom Lunch and Learn in Retirement group 1950 Bathurst St., will hear **Prof. H. Gordon Skilling,** first director of the Centre for Russian and East European Studies at the University of Toronto, evaluate Post Communist Transition to Democracy, 12 noon Wednesday, March 18. Bring your lunch. Beverages and cookies are provided. Call **Deborah,** 789-3291 if you need or can offer transportation.

## Thursday, March 19

**FOREST HILL LIBRARY FILMS**

Films at Forest Hill Library, 700 Eglinton Ave. W., 1:30 p.m. Thursday, March 19, include *Carving Out a Legend* (1981) and *Born of Fire* (1983).

## AND WHAT ELSE IS NEW...

**PURIM CANDY TREES**

Celebrate Purim and buy kosher candy trees for someone special. Proceeds go to Hadassah-WIZO, Jordana Yamit Chapter. Cost, $12, includes delivery. Call **Janet,** 631-0724 or **Margi,** 731-4227.

**SPEAKERS SERIES ON ISRAEL**

Canadian Jewish Congress Ontario Region, convenes a Speakers Series on Israel with three lectures at three Metro congregations, Conservative, Orthodox and Reform, designed to inform the general public of the different aspects of the Middle East scenario and encourage communication among all segments of the Jewish community.

The series begins Thursday, March 12 at Shaarei Shomayim Congregation, 470 Glencairn Ave., with **Dr. David Goldberg,,** national director, Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East, presenting An Update on the Middle East Peace Process. It continues Monday, March 16 at Temple Sinai, 210 Wilson Ave., when **Michael Kay,** co-founder of the Council on Monitoring Middle East News Trends, speaks on The Evolution of Palestinian Nationalism in the Early 1900s. It concludes Tuesday, March 24 at Beth Tikvah Congregation, 3080 Bayview Ave. with a talk on Israel in the Post-Gulf War Era, by **Paul Michaels,** director of communications, Canada-Israel Committee.

All programs are free and begin at 7:30 p.m. For more information, contact **Daniel Fine,** 635-2883, ext. 147.

## FRIEBERG HONORED

**A recent meeting of Canadian Jewish Congress, Ontario region honored Gerda Frieberg for underwriting the purchase of a bus to ferry visitors the three kilometres between Auschwitz and Birkenau, where an estimated 1.5 million Jews were murdered. Seen here with Frieberg is Nathan Leipziger, national chairman of the Holocaust Remembrance Committee. (Paul Lungen photo)**

**CHORALAIRS (a correction)**

In the Feb. 27 issue, an incorrect phone number was given for the Choralairs. We repeat the item with a correction.

The Choralairs of North York, a volunteer choir singing for seniors, has appearances at Forest Hill Place, March 24, Lansing Lodge, April 28 and St.Raphael's Lodge, May 26. The Choralairs' annual spring concert and raffle will be held at Earl Bales Park, Sunday afternoon, June 14 in the community centre.

Prospective members are invited to attend these free concerts which start at 7:30 p.m. New singers are always welcome. The closing June concert is open to the general public. For more information, contact **Faye Cohen,** 633-7233.

**KOFFLER WATERCOLOR CLASSES**

Register now for Advanced Watercolor, Refining Your Style, with **Sue Ericsson,** a course for those who have been working in watercolor for several years and are needing to make a jump in personal development or are feeling stuck.

For information on classes in clay sculpture, pottery, raku, handbuilding with clay, stone sculpture and children's classes, call 636-2145, (Jewish Community Centre, North Branch, 4588 Bathurst St.)

**SHAAREI TEFILLAH FASHION SHOW**

Shaarei Tefillah Congregation Sisterhood, 3600 Bathurst St.,presents Fashion Frenzy, featuring ladies spring fashions by Carlin Enterprises, boutiques, refreshments and much more, 1:30 p.m. Sunday, March 22. Admission is $10 per person. Telephone 787-1631.

**JEWISH FOLK CHOIR AT LIBRARY**

On Wednesday, March 11 from 7-9 p.m. in the Central Library auditorium, 5120 Yonge St., the Toronto Jewish Folk Choir celebrates Purim with two excerpts from the folk cantata *Queen Esther*, by **Maurice Rauch,**; selections from *Der Bobe's Cholem* (Grandmother's Dream) by **Mark Varshavsky**; popular operatic arias and other numbers.

**VALUE OF WOMEN'S WORK**

Value of Women's Work, the final workshop in a series arranged by the Social and Political Action Committee, Jewish Women's Federation, is open to the public, 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 26 at the Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst St. **Dr. Rachel Schlesinger,** associate professor, department of social science, York University and **Rabbi Elyse Goldstein,** director of Kolel: A Centre for Liberal Jewish Learning, will assess the value society places on women's work in and outside the home, exploring issues concerning Jewish women today - mothering and homemak-

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## What's New

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ing, pay equity, volunteerism, care for the elderly.

Admission is $5. For reservations and additional information, call 635-2883 ext. 135.

### SUMMER CAMP TEACHERS WANTED

Uncle Earl's Playgroups (Earl Bales Park, Bathurst and Sheppard), is looking for two part-time teachers for pre-school summer camp. Call **Rachel,** 731-7216.

### UNCLE EARL'S PLAYGROUPS

Registration starts April 1 for Uncle Earl's Playgroups - pre-school summer camps (parents and tots, and nursery). Duration of camps is July 6-Aug. 21. For further information, call **Glyn,** 631-0328.

### TEL-AIDE JEWISH DISTRESS LINE

Are you lonely? Did a relationship just break up? Trouble at work? Perhaps a Tel-Aide volunteer could be a friend for a while. Sensitive persons are available to listen at Tel-Aide: the Jewish Distress Line, 636-9610. All have taken an extensive training course and are well qualified to listen. Tel-Aide is a program of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, formerly Toronto Jewish Congress.

### JEWISH FAMILY & CHILD SERVICE

Jewish Family and Child Service is offering the following workshops.

1. Parenting the Preschooler: A group for parents to discuss realistic expectations, parenting skills and styles, and other topics. (begins April 28).
2. Single in the '90s: to discuss the pain and pleasures of being single today. Limited enrolment. (begins April 4).
3. Infertility Issues: to discuss emotional stresses, available options and coping strategies. (begins April 30).
4. Surviving Separation and Divorce: to discuss being alone, part-time parenting, separating from the past and moving forward. (begins April 7).

### TEMPLE ISRAEL, LONDON

Temple Israel Chavurah (Sunday morning breakfast program) meets on Sunday, March 29. For details about the group, time and place, and/or to suggest topics and speakers for future gatherings, contact **Nathan Rose,** 438-1425.

### SHABBAT ZACHOR AT BETH TIKVAH

Saturday, March 14 and Sunday, March 15, the Social Action Committee at Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., commemorates Shabbat Zachor with A Weekend To Remember, to reflect on the constant trauma facing Syrian Jews.

Saturday, March 14 at 9 a.m., **Saul Friedman,** professor of history at Youngstown State and Kent State Universities, will outline the present situation of Syrian Jews.

On Sunday March 15, a breakfast, (adults $5, students no charge) co-sponsored by the Brotherhood, follows 9 a.m. services. Professor Friedman will describe some of his experiences with Syrian Jewish families and a video, *In the Shadows: The Tragedy of Syrian Jews*, will be screened.

### ISRAELI PROFESSIONALS PARTY

Sing, dance and participate in games with entertainers **Doron Ofir** and **Rivka Atzmony** at a Purim party planned by the Association of Israeli Professionals, 8 p.m. Sunday, March 15 in the Bernard Betel Centre, 1003 Steeles Ave. W. Refreshments will be served. Admission is $12 for Association members, $15, non-members. For more details call **Shula,** 495-7453.

### JEWISH VEGETARIAN SOCIETY

The Jewish Vegetarian Society is holding a Food Demonstration and Buffet Lunch in Spanish-Sephardic style, noon, Sunday March 22, at 788 Marlee Ave. A representative from the Spanish consulate will address the gathering. For reservations, call **Evelyn,** 465-3511 or 485-9164.

### CYCLISTS

Hebrew Athletics is back! Tune up your bike for another pedal pushing year. For details, call 486-3304.

### YOUNG WOMEN'S GROUP

At the next meeting of Tikvah Chapter, B'nai Brith Women, 7:30 p.m. Monday, March 23, **Debbie Cowitz** of Jewish Family and Child Service, will discuss Being Single in the 90s. Anyone interested - single, married or otherwise - is welcome to contact **Miriam,** 731-0040 or **Patty,** 490-8137.

### IT'S MAPLE SYRUP TIME!

The Kortright Centre for Conservation has great maple syrup demonstrations daily, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., until April 5. Taste sap and syrup warm from the kettles, smell the wood smoke, experience a Canadian spring tradition. Experience both modern and old-fashioned methods of production. For more information, call 661-6600.

### RIKUDIYAH '92

Rikudiyah '92 Israeli Dance Festival for Children, presents World of Sepharad, co-sponsored by the Jewish Community Centre Board of Jewish Education, 2:30 p.m. Sunday, March 29 in the Tait McKenzie Building, York University. Twenty schools will participate and there will be performances by Village Folk, Canadian Dance Tapestry, Associated Hebrew Schools, Bialik Hebrew Day School and United Synagogue Day School (Bayview).

Tickets, available at the Jewish Community Centre, North Y Branch, 4588 Bathurst St., are $4.28 (includes GST) $1 children, 12 and under. For ticket information, contact **Elaine Burke,** 636-1880 ext. 273.

### VOLUNTEER FOR APHASIA CENTRE

The Aphasia Centre - North York (formerly Speech and Stroke), 50 The Links Rd., has opportunities for volunteers to help adult stroke survivors overcome communication difficulties. No experience is necessary; training is provided. Please call **Linda,** 226-3636.

### LIBRARY GATHERINGS

Retired people of all ages gather in the Central Library Auditorium, 5120 Yonge St., 2-4 p.m. each Friday for films, music, singing, guest artists. To inquire further, call 395-5512.

## at the JCC

Call the JCC Singles Hotline 589-5101 for 24-hour taped information of events at the JCC and around the city.

North-East Valley Branch JCC offers adult duplicate bridge every Monday evening 7:30-11 p.m. Cost is $3 per session . For members. To inquire further, phone **Nurit,** 889-0813. Singles Connection, call Nurit for updated information on the lecture series and dances at the N/E Valley.

Registration is now being accepted at the Bloor Y for the March Break, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. March 16-20. Cost is $25 per day. Call 924-6211.

Join the Bloor Y, 750 Spadina Ave. for a Celebration of Humor during Centrefest '92,March 22-28. Attractions include a Purim Carnival, Arts and Crafts Fair, Mini Film Fest, Archives/Display and Cityforum. The highlight is Vaudeville on Bloor, featuring **Larry Horowitz, Tony Molesworth, John Pattison** and **Garloo.** Doors open 8:30 p.m. Tickets, $20. For information on the entire week, call **Luni,** 924-6211.

## for seniors

Everyone is welcome when **Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club,** 100 Elder St., resumes gatherings with a general meeting 1 p.m. Sunday, March 15. Refreshments. Members, $1, visitors, $2. Yearly membership dues are $7. For information call **Bess,** 783-3206.

**Senior Adult Services, JCC North Y,** 4588 Bathurst St., invites you to join an all-inclusive trip to Washington and Luray Caverns, including transportation, four dinners, four breakfasts, theatre ticket, all admission fees, taxes and gratuities, medical and cancellation insurance, May 24-28. Registration is now being accepted for the Catskills, July 16-23. For more information/registration re both trips, contact **Teme Kernerman,** 636-1880, ext. 364. Learning Experiences, Senior Adult Club, meets in the Senior Lounge at 12:45 p.m. sharp for an archives tour with **Dr. Stephen Speisman.** Members, no charge. Non-members, 50 cents. **The Wagman Centre Self-Help Widows Group,** 55 years of age and over, meets every other Sunday to help each other deal with mourning and adjust to loss. The meetings provide a supportive environment where group members can share experiences and make new friends. The next meeting is on Sunday, March 15, in the library of the Wagman Centre, 55 Ameer Ave. Group co-ordinator is **Toby Warsh.** For more information, call **Paula David,** 789-5131, ext. 2271.

Register at the Wagman Centre office by March 19 for a literary event featuring readings by the Creative Writing Group, (instructor, **Sofia Friesen**) 10 a.m.-noon, Monday, March 23 in the Fireside Lounge.

Come out for a Purim Party 3-4:30 p.m. Sunday, March 15 in the Wagman Centre Assembly/Dining Room.

**Earl Bales Seniors Club** hosts a Purim Party and Dance with a live band, gifts, hamantaschen and ice cream, 7:30-10:30 p.m. Sunday, March 15 in the community centre. Members, $8, non-members, $10. A movie *Not Without My Daughter*, starring **Sally Fields,** is scheduled for 2 p.m. Wednesday, March 18 in the clubhouse. Members free, non-members $1. A Sunday Dance with a live band takes place 7:30-10:30 p.m. March 29. Members $3, non-members, $4. The Catskills trip to the Raleigh Hotel, July 19-24 includes deluxe transportation, super deluxe rooms and all activities. Cost is $575 double occupancy, $665 single (Canadian funds). For details on upcoming trips, regular activities and courses, call 636-7856 Monday-Thursday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Shaarei Shomayim Friendship Club,** 470 Glencairn Ave., is making arrangements for several matinees - a ballet at O'Keefe Centre, May 15 and *Annie*, June 10, *Cabaret*, July 30 and **West Side Story,** Aug. 13, all at Artpark. Cruises are in the planning stage and Purim festivities are planned. For details about these and ongoing programs, call **Lena,** 785-5773 or **Ruth,** 224-5923. Remember the Golden Book to mark special occasions. Your donations go to the Laniado Hospital in Israel. Call **Dorothy Bloomfield** at 787-1526.

Everyone is welcome to join the new senior citizens club **Hadar,** which meets every Monday, noon-4 p.m. at the Garnet A. Williams Community Centre, 501 Clark Ave. Room 2. For more information call **Viola Landman,** 886-2625.

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**Etrog,** an Israeli cultural club for Hebrew speaking older adults meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. For information, call **Helen Issenberg,** 225-2112.

## About People

### MARLENE MYERSON APPOINTMENT

**Marlene Myerson,** the director of education at Temple Emanu-El and a member of the board, National Association of Temple Educators, has been appointed to the Joint Commission on Jewish Education. The Commission is comprised of representatives from the Central Conference of American Rabbis, the National Association of Temple Educators and the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, and is charged with the responsibility for setting the direction for Jewish Education within the Reform movement.

**Marlene Myerson**

### IAN SILBERT IS SOLOIST

When former U.S. House speaker, **Thomas "Tip" O'Neill** and his wife **Mildred,** were honored at a dinner celebrating the dedication of a chapel in their names at Barry University in Miami, Torontonian **Ian Silbert** was the vocal soloist and was invited to join the O'Neills at their table. Silbert, winner of several Kiwanis Festival awards for piano and voice, is currently a PhD psychology student at Barry. A member of the university choir, he has been chosen to play the lead in a college production of *Phantom of the Opera.*

**Ian Silbert**

## BGU ASSOCIATES

**Among executive members of the New Ben-Gurion Associates of Toronto, a leadership division of the Canadian Associates of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev attending An Evening of Magic, the culmination of efforts to raise $50,000 toward the university's biotechnical laboratory, are (from left) Rob Kozlov, Ralph Shepherd, Bruce Bronfman, Michael Sonnenfeldt, Suzanne Berman, Brian Medjuck, Elliot Kohn, Michael Wilson. Chairman Bruce Bronfman announced that the goal had been surpassed and a total of $60,000 realized.**


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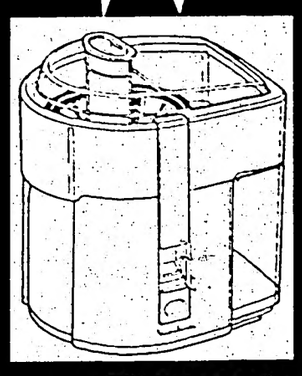

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# Organizations and People

## FISHERVILLE REUNION

**Fisherville Junior High School is celebrating its 25th anniversary on May 29-30. The school opened in 1966 with 442 students, in grades seven, eight and nine. It continues today with a student body of 490. A special school assembly is planned for current students to be held on May 29. An open house will be held at the school on May 30 from 1 to 3 p.m. Former students will be free to visit throughout the school, meet old friends and teachers and see memorabilia. That evening, a buffet dinner and sock hop will be held at Villa Pompeii, 7400 Keele St. The cost for the evening affair is $35 per person. For further information, call the school at 223-4720.**

# Yiddishists form youth wing

**TORONTO —**

The newly formed Young Yiddishists group recently donned Yiddish name tags, corrected each other's grammar and watched *Mama Loshn*, a documentary about Yiddish, as part of its first program.

The group is geared for lovers of the language under 40 years old. The Young Yiddishists is sponsored by the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto's Yiddish committee.

According to Yiddish committee member Richard Bassett, who attended the program, the group was formed to be a think tank for the upcoming National Yiddish Conference, a triennial event scheduled to take place this May in Toronto and sponsored by the national Yiddish committee.

Federation advisors Sylvia Lustgarten and Gloria Morris have been attempting to organize a "Young" branch to be represented at the conference.

"The meeting was intended as a brainstorming session as to what a youth wing could do at the conference," said Bassett, a former president of the Friends of Yiddish, another Yiddish interest group.

"Yiddish is a beautiful language. It's the basis for modern day Hebrew literature. It's too important in our history to be left out or lost."

Bassett describes the Young Yiddishists as "a dream come true" for the Yiddish committee, which has never been able to attract young people to its ranks before.

"I don't care what form we Yiddishists take. If we can get this kind of group forming, then Yiddish will be operating at some level other than in the Orthodox community, where it has always thrived."

Among those who attended the evening were a couple with their Yiddish speaking, eight-year-old daughter. Two teenagers also attended — one of whom brought along his mother who is picking up the language from her son.

David and Simone Sherman, who brought their daughter Ariela to the event, said that they converse in Yiddish to her and her three other siblings.

Others who attended the initial meeting see the group as a place to keep the heritage alive after having spent years speaking Yiddish.

For Lithuanian-born Asna Wise of Thornhill, the Young Yiddishists meeting was "a nice opportunity to get together, practice and enjoy the language that I love."

For more information about Young Yiddishists, contact Sylvia Lustgarten at 635-2883, ext. 155.

# Grant for Wagman Centre

**TORONTO —**

The Wagman Centre Members' Council at Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care will upgrade its leadership skills with a $19,719 New Horizons Grant from Health and Welfare Canada. Although the council has been carrying out its role — looking after Wagman Centre members' concerns, complaints and programming suggestions — for the past two years, it wants to do so more effectively.

It will use the grant to set up a leadership course designed to teach council members "everything that goes into running a good council," says council president Len Dworkin, including how to run meetings, set up committees and prepare reports.

"It will provide council members with a better understanding of their job so they can become even better representatives of the Wagman's 2,000 members," says Dworkin.

The grant money will also be used to promote general membership involvement in council affairs. A separate leadership course will be offered to all members to prepare them for council work, while a questionaire will be distributed to find out which members have a background that might be a valuable council resource.

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**Metro Toronto Singles** presents "Back By Popular Demand"... **A Night in Yorkville Party** at **Remy's**, 115 Yorkville Avenue (East of Avenue Road). **Sunday, March 15. 8:00pm.** Door prize: Dinner for two at Remy's. Hors D'oeuvres served from 8-10:00pm. Cover $10.00.
For the last 6 years many groups have come and gone, but **Metro Toronto Singles** has been there to consistently provide parties in order to give people the opportunity to meet.
Other upcoming events include: 6th annual Clevlands House Victoria Day weekend. 2nd annual Canada Day Cruise on Lake Ontario. Attendance at a Blue Jay Game. Co-ed softball. Call **222-7111** for information on any of these events. 9068

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# Organizations and People

## Coming to terms with sexual harassment

By
FRANCES KRAFT

TORONTO —
True or false?

• Sexual harassment may be wrong, but it's not against the law.

• Sexual harassment happens only to women.

• Unless someone touches you inappropriately, it's not sexual harassment.

All women should be concerned about sexual harrassment, but the majority won't actually be affected by it.

The above statements, all of which are false, were among those discussed at a recent workshop on Sexual Harassment by moderator Bina Feldman. The workshop was one in a series presented by the social and political action committee of Jewish Women's Federation on Redefining the Rules of the Game: a response to violence against women.

Panelists at the workshop were Owen Mahoney, a spokesman for the Ontario Human Rights Commission; Dale Hall, sexual harassment officer at York University; Etta Wharton, director, Employment Equity Division, Ontario Hydro; and Howard Levitt, an attorney specializing in human rights.

The Ontario Human Rights Code defines sexual harassment as "engaging in coarse or vexatious comment or conduct that is known or ought reasonably to be known to be unwelcome," said Mahoney.

When someone complains to the Human Rights Commission, an intake officer will offer to contact the employer (if the problem is occuring in the workplace) in an attempt to resolve the situation as soon as possible, explained Mahoney. The commission also has a number of resources to which they can refer people.

Despite the intimidating atmosphere which sexual harassment creates, Mahoney stressed the importance of the employer knowing about the situation. "If an employer is made aware and nothing happens, the employer is liable as well.

"A decision not to take action has to be the worst of all decisions," said Mahoney. "Sexual harassment is not just in bad taste. It is illegal."

Many women won't lay a complaint, said Hall, because of fear of the consequences and because they blame themselves for the harassment. "Maybe I shouldn't have gone there in the first place. Maybe I shouldn't have worn that sweater," are common thoughts of sexual harassment victims. "I spend a lot of time convincing women they didn't do anything wrong," said Hall.

Hall can help a student or employee deal with the harassment herself, using role-playing to practise ways of refusing unwanted and repeated requests for a date, for example. Medication is also available when necessary, and counselling and legal aid services can be obtained at the university as well.

In the wake of the Anita Hill/Clarence Thomas case, businesses are probably engaging in "a lot of policy-writing," said Wharton, but she stressed that companies need more than just a policy on sexual harassment. "One of the biggest problems is that there isn't a common view that sexual harassment is a bad thing, like murder or theft. It's bad for society, and it's bad for the company. It reduces productivity and increases stress-related absenteeism.

"You have to have strong messages constantly and repeatedly that sexual harassment will be dealt with and that people can come forward with impunity," Wharton said.

"I think it's important to link the maintaining of a harassment-free environment with supervisory rewards and promotions. It takes a lot of time to change a climate in an organization, but it can happen," she said.

Levitt presented a bleaker picture, at least from the point of view of those pursuing legal retribution. For one thing, you can't sue in Canada over anything that's encompassed by the Human Rights Code, although there may be other bases on which to sue, such as wrongful dismissal.

It can be hard to prove that harassment took place, and consequences such as mental distress are also hard to prove. The important thing for most people, suggested one workshop participant, is that the behavior be stopped.

## Clarification

The article on Zareinu School (*CJN*, Feb. 27) referred to it as a school for the multiple-handicapped.

In fact, school principal Lawrence Cherniak points out, while there are some multiple-handicapped children attending, the school has as its mandate "to accept developmentally delayed children as part of its student body."


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## Hamilton Hadassah takes off with music of Flying Bulgars

By
MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON —
Fasten your seat belts and prepare to take off with the Flying Bulgars.

That's the Flying Bulgars of Klezmer Band fame, of course.

Fresh from the Juno Awards ceremonies on March 29, where they were nominated for their debut recording in the all new Best World Beat Recording category, the Klezmer band will be performing here Tuesday, March 31, at 8 p.m. at Adas Israel Synagogue.

The occasion is Hamilton Hadassah-WIZO's annual fundraising event in aid of medical services in Israel.

"There'll be no speeches, just music. We want people to come and have a good time," said chairman Miriam Silvert.

Better still, it's "fundraising without having to beg for money," as past Hamilton Council president, Ilona Feldman put it.

Thanks to sponsor Kohler Distributing Inc., the entire proceeds from ticket sales will go directly to Hadassah-WIZO projects at Asaf Harofe Hospital, Zerifin, and at the Hadassah Medical Centre in Jerusalem.

However, guests will be able to purchase "shares" in Hadassah-WIZO's Scandiplan project to provide equipment for a sophisticated computerized three-dimensional radiation treatment planning system.

The shares, which are being sold nation-wide by the organization, are available in denominations of $100, $200, $500 or $1,000.

Started some five years ago by Feldman, Hadassah-WIZO national medical services chairman, the annual fundraising event in aid of medical services is open to the general public.

It's not only "a fantastic way" to raise funds but also, as Feldman noted on a previous occasion, "to promote Hadassah-WIZO projects to the community at large."

Everyone knows the Hadassah bazaar but an event such as this, she said, allows for "versatility and flexibility.

The date is Tuesday, March 31; the time 8 p.m. and the place Adas Israel Synagogue, 125 Cline Ave. S., Hamilton.

Tickets are $18 per person and are available in advance from the JCC at 416-468-0605 or by calling 416-628-0606.

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# Organizations and People

Communications associate Ina Glick (left) discusses the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto's new logo with its creator, Paul Greenberg, a graphic design student at Ontario College of Art. [Jay Brodbar photo]

## Art student designs new Federation logo

TORONTO —

A design created by Ontario College of Art (OCA) graphics student Paul Greenberg has been selected as the winner of a logo contest for the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto.

Greenberg's logo, a variation on the Magen David, is designed to be an integral part of the Federation's new image. It will appear in all communications that emanate from the Federation, including billboards, letterhead and advertisements.

Federation president Jack Chisvin originally suggested the logo search contest. OCA was deemed an appropriate venue for the contest — logos for organizations such as Amnesty International and B'nai B'rith League for Human Rights were designed by its students.

Also taken into consideration was the fact that a competition would invite an innovative, creative response to the Federation's needs and at the same time save as much as $15,000 to hire a professional graphic artist.

After some deliberation with Federation representatives, OCA announced the six-week competition and opened it to its entire student body.

Entry evaluations were conducted in two stages: officers of the Federation selected five finalists; 60 communal leaders from the Federation's executive board were polled.

A group of OCA committee members selected the first and second runners-up, Allan Greenspan and Mark Gleberzon.

"OCA did an outstanding job," says the Federation's director of operations Jack Ajzenberg, who acted as liaison to OCA. "To undertake the competition was a real departure for them."

Ajzenberg points out that OCA is generally non-sectarian. He commends Jan Van Campen, the dean of the Commercial and Graphic Design Department at OCA for co-operating with the Federation.

Greenberg is a third year advanced standing student of Van Campen's department.

"I felt close to the project because of my Jewish background," says Greenberg, 28. "I felt driven to do something good and it's nice to know I could do that for my community."

After he graduates next year, the Toronto native says he hopes to enter the field of corporate graphic design.

## Lunch program aimed at busy professionals

TORONTO —

The Jewish Book committee of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto is offering a daytime lunch and learn program for professionals who work downtown.

Committee chairman Prof. Adam Fuerstenberg says the Lunch and Learn program usually take place in the boardrooms of prominent downtown accounting or law firms. Lunch and Learn programs feature guest lecturers who are visiting experts as well as local speakers.

"It's a relaxed presentation," says Fuerstenberg. "The audience is articulate and ranges in age from university students to seniors."

Those who attend the programs "brown bag" it. The host offers refreshments and the committee supplies kosher baked goods.

Cultural, literary and social concerns are the usual fare for the program. When the prestigious law firm of Goodman and Carr recently sponsored a Lunch and Learn program, senior partner Wolf Goodman was among the attendees.

"I found the session very interesting," said Goodman. "The discussion included a number of knowledgeable people.

"This program is worthwhile and a credit to the Jewish community. I profited from it and I plan to attend more of them."

Michael Greenstein, a novelist who teaches at the University of Toronto, spoke at Goodman and Carr's Lunch and Learn. Greenstein was recently awarded a prize by the committee for his book *Third Solitudes: Tradition and Discontinuity in Jewish-Canadian Literature*, a full-length effort that explores the contribution to society by Jewish culture.

Fuerstenberg said the committee plans to feature guests such as Robert Fulford and Morley Torgov for future programs.

To be included on the Lunch and Learn mailing list, contact Rachel Rosenberg, Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, at 635-2883, ext. 151.

## New drug fights Alzheimer's

By CAROLYN BLACKMAN

TORONTO —

Hope for those with Alzheimer's disease may be right around the corner with the discovery of Alzene, a new drug that has shown beneficial effects in many patients.

Developed by Shlomo Yehuda, a professor of psychology at Bar-Ilan University, the drug promises effective benefits to Alzheimer's sufferers with none of the major side effects experienced in most of the experimental drugs currently in use.

Yehuda, speaking at a recent meeting sponsored by Canadian Friends of Bar-Ilan University, said that as the life span of people has increased over the last 10 years, the chances of contacting age-related disorders has increased.

"Only ten years ago, most people had not heard of Alzheimer's disease, yet today it has become a household word," he said.

A handout given out at the meeting says that whereas most experimental drugs having beneficial effects on Alzheimer symptoms induce severe side effects, Alzene has shown no major side effects on the 200 patients tested.

"About 70 percent of the patients given Alzene showed beneficial results. The drug either stopped the deterioration of the patient, or in many cases, alleviated the symptoms, such as space orientation, short-term memory, and long-term memory loss," it stated.

It said that Alzene "demonstrably improves the quality of life of Alzheimer patients and eases the burdens on the care-givers and the families of the afflicted."

Yehuda said that as Alzheimer's disease progresses, it affects many facets of life. "In later stages patients are unable to dress themselves, do not recognize their own families and do not know what they are eaing. Most patients have families that suffer a lot. If we can alleviate the symptoms, even a little, we cause enormous benefits to the patient."

He adds that he received a letter from a woman whose husband has Alzheimer's disease. "She said that for the first time in five years she has been able to sleep through the night without worrying about her husband."

Yehuda conceded that whereas Alzene has shown to cause improvement in certain symptoms it cannot yet be tried on bedridden patients or those unable to communicate.

He said that he would like to continue to study Alzene at Bar-Ilan University as long as the budget allows. "Bar-Ilan is an excellent university but unfortunately we have to work on a very small budget."


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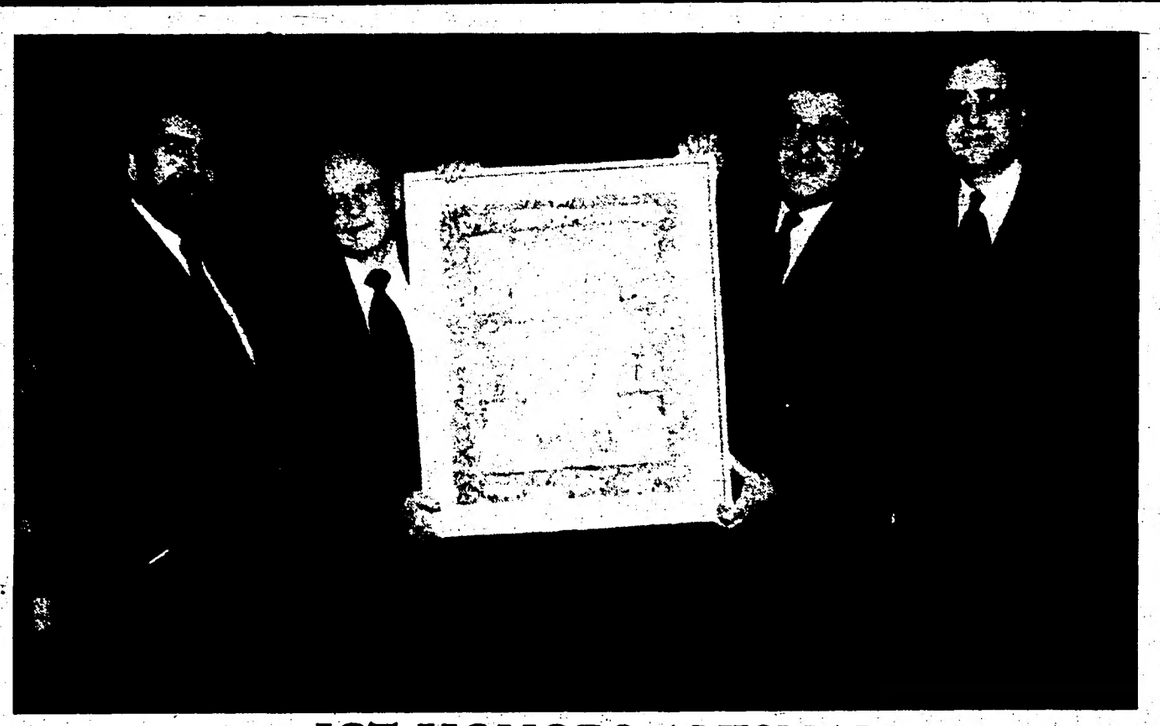

## JCT HONORS ANISMAN

**David Anisman (second from left) was honored by Jerusalem College of Technology at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Monte Carlo dinner draw for his efforts in aiding JCT. Anisman, who marked his 18th year with the synagogue's annual dinner draw, allocated a portion of this year's proceeds towards the construction of a new dormitory at the Jerusalem College of Technology. The university is in need of housing for the Russian immigrant students and scientists it has absorbed. With Anisman as he accepted his award of merit is (from left) Henry Zieleniec, co-chairman Canadian Friends of JCT; Dov Bet-el, international executive director, JCT; and Jerry Klasner, co-chairman, Canadian Friends of JCT. [Arnold Machtinger photo]**

# Lederman to launch new book

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Print journalists generally outperformed television reporters in covering the Palestinian uprising, says a Canadian correspondent who has just written a book on the press and the intifada.

And, adds Jim Lederman, author of *Battlelines: The American Media and the Intifada* (Fitzhenry & Whiteside), Israel-based correspondents were not biased against the Jewish state in their reportage of the Palestinian rebellion.

A Torontonian by birth, Lederman will discuss his book at Holy Blossom Temple on Thursday, March 19 at 8 p.m.

In an interview, Lederman said that print reporters outpaced their counterparts in TV because they were not overwhelmed by the drama of the event and were able to provide more of a historic perspective of the Arab-Israeli dispute.

Lederman, who covered the intifada mainly for National Public Radio in the United States, gave high marks to the *Los Angeles Times*, the *Washington Post* and the Associated Press.

TV, more so than newspapers, was "manipulated by its own needs, proclivities and technology," said Lederman. As a result, he said, television distorted many aspects of the intifada.

Television, for example, misinformed its viewers by leaving the false impression that the intifada raged throughout the territories, uninterruptedly.

Lederman said that the three major TV networks — ABC, CBS and NBC — sent out "subliminal, politically-charged messages over the evening newscasts, subtly manipulating audience perceptions of events in the Middle East."

ABC's anchorman, Peter Jennings, deliberately cast Israel in a bad light whenever he could, Lederman noted. "If you ask me, it was a shameful performance." However, the reporting of Dean Reynolds, the ABC correspondent in Israel, was impartial.

Lederman, 46, said he could detect no anti-Israel predisposition among the odd-130 reporters who are based in Israel. "None was anti-Semitic or anti-Zionist."

But some of the "parachutists" — reporters dispatched to Israel from abroad to write about the intifada — might certainly be accused of harboring anti-Semitic and/or anti-Zionist sentiments.

What's more, Lederman said, the ignorance displayed by some of the parachutists was appalling. One British Broadcast Corporation correspondent did not know that Teddy Kollek is the mayor of Jerusalem.

Lederman, who lives in Jerusalem with his wife and four children, said the Israeli government lacked a media strategy to cope with the violence on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

Israeli spokesmen, he claimed, were "visionless" and "hopelessly incompetent" in dealing with the media. "On a one to 10 scale, Israel's performance was minus one."

Israel shot itself in the foot by temporarily forbidding reporters to enter the territories, by staging mass trials of rioters and by expelling Palestinians, Lederman stated.

All told, the uprising "tremendously battered" Israel's image, and it is still "licking its wounds."


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## Haifa U Friends to fete Feldman

**TORONTO –**

The Canadian Friends of Haifa University will honor Michael Feldman at a dinner at the Sheraton Centre on May 4.

Proceeds of the dinner will endow the Michael C. Feldman Chair in national security studies in the School of Political Science, said Sam Crystal, president of Canadian Friends of Haifa University.

Feldman has served the community and State of Israel for many years. Actively involved in social housing, Feldman chairs the Metropolitan Toronto Housing Development Corporation. This organization develops and manages 20,000 affordable units in Metro Toronto.

In addition to chairing the housing corporation, Feldman has served as a member of three task forces. These investigated accommodation for physically handicapped individuals, shelter for low income single people in Metro and housing for boarders and lodgers for the provincial government.

Discussing Haifa University, Feldman said: "Haifa University fills a very important role in northern Israel. The university students in Israel, on average, are older than their Canadian counterparts. Military service requirements must be completed before attending university, and in many cases, the student body is married with families. As the only university servicing northern Israel, this facility provides the financial benefit of enabling students to stay in their local communities while getting their post-secondary education."

Feldman has been a member of the advisory committee for homes for the aged in Metro Toronto, director at Baycrest and is actively involved with the Reena Foundation. For more than 14 years, Feldman has chaired the annual Ileitis and Colitis Research Foundation fundraising dinner.

## Technion starts camp for science students

**TORONTO –**

An opportunity is being offered to a limited number of Canadian students who excel in science and technology to participate in Technion's first science and technology camp.

It will be open to students aged 15 to 17 and will take place at the Technion campus in Haifa from July 19 through August 13.

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Participants will be responsible for their own travel expenses and will pay a participation fee of $1,400 (U.S.). This will cover board and lodgings, tuition, and organized touring.

A brochure published by Technion will be available shortly. This will contain detailed information regarding registration procedures. For more information contact Cheryl Koperwas at the Canadian Technion Society office, telephone 416-789-4545.

# UIA lets teens experience Israel

By
FRANCES KRAFT

**TORONTO –**

There are a number of ways for young people to experience Israel — study programs, visiting relatives, or working on a kibbutz being among the most common.

What makes the United Israel Appeal's Youth to Youth exchange program unique is that a hand-picked group of no more than 10 teenagers (ages 15 to 18) from small communities in Ontario and the Atlantic region are matched with their counterparts in Or Yehuda, a Project Renewal development town that has become a success story over the past two decades despite its rocky beginnings as a refugee camp.

The program begins in July when the Israeli youngsters visit their Canadian hosts, travelling to a number of communities to perform and talk about life in Israel.

The tables are turned in August when the Canadian teens travel to Israel for three weeks to live with an Israeli family, tour and participate in a work project along with the Israeli youngsters.

The work project will be "something creative," says Eli Rubenstein, director of young leadership development at UIA, who has coordinated the program since its inception. Past projects have included planting a municipal garden, and painting and landscaping in the community.

The tour itinerary includes the usual sites (Jerusalem — the Western Wall, Yad Vashem, Mt. Herzl; Tel Aviv; the Dead Sea; Masada; the Golan Heights; Tiberias; Haifa; and Rosh Hanikra; and Acco) as well as Ben Gurion airport to greet a planeload of Soviet olim, and a stop in Metulla to see Canada Centre and its ice rink. "They get an incredible reception there," says Rubenstein.

**Canadian teenagers make friends easily with Israeli youth during their stay in one of Israel's many Project Renewal communities.**

"To me, the summer was the best one of my life," says Jonathan Boulakia of Ottawa, who was on the program last summer. "It was my third trip to Israel, but the first time I saw the 'real' Israel. It was a summer I will never forget."

"The bonds and the appreciation on both sides are virtually unbreakable," says Rubenstein.

For further information, contact Eli Rubenstein at 636-7655.

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Centre to Centre is a similar program run by the JCC for Toronto teens, who are twinned with youngsters in Beit Dagan. Further information is available from Elizabeth Sokolsky at 636-1880, ext. 371.


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# Arts

# *Soderbergh recreates Kafka's world*

## Film

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Franz Kafka's dark, eerie, fathomless world is resurrected in Steven Soderbergh's chilling film, *Kafka*.

Soderbergh and his screenwriter, Lem Dobbs, imagine what it would be like if Kafka — the great Czech-Jewish writer (1883-1924) — had stumbled into one of his own dream-like stories.

In stellar works such as *The Trial*, *The Castle* and *The Metamorphosis*, the Prague-born Kafka plumbed the depths of anxiety and alienation and dissected the facelessness of modern bureaucracy.

Soderbergh, whose last movie was the accomplished *Sex, lies and videotape*, uses these broad themes in *Kafka* to create a brooding universe that the novelist may well have immediately recognized.

*Kafka*, set in 1919 in the Czech capital, is closely modelled after the novelist's life. Kafka (Jeremy Irons) is a clerk by day and an aspiring novelist by night. And like the real person, Kafka is a loner, leaves stories unfinished and has a problematic relationship with his father, who is never actually seen.

In Soderbergh's haunting film, now playing at Famous Players theatres, Kafka is a gnome-like figure who becomes embroiled in the mysterious murder of his colleague, Edu-

**Jeremy Irons in Kafka.**

ard Raban, in the subversive political activities of Raban's seductive friend (Theresa Russell) and in a convoluted police investigation which drives him to the mist-shrouded, maze-like Castle, the seat of authority in Prague.

Filmed largely in black and white, *Kafka* has the stark look of a 1920s German Expressionist film. Prague, with its twisted cobblestone streets and its intimidating medieval turrets, is the epitome of a remorseless and heartless city where danger lurks.

Prague's ancient Jewish cemetery, with its Hebrew-inscribed headstones leaning at crazy angles, is part of the broader canvas in *Kafka*.

Soderbergh is most adept at evoking the utterly impersonal bureaucratic spirit of the huge Accident and Insurance Compensation Association, which employs Kafka and hundreds of others. Kafka's prying boss, as brilliantly played by Joel Grey, is the hallmark of despised officiousness.

Irons, as befits his role, is cool and remote. Russell, her eyes flashing, exudes dangerous charm. Armin Mueller-Stahl, the police inspector, is suitably inscrutable, while Sir Alec Guinness, the chief clerk in Kafka's company, perfectly conveys the automaton qualities of his character.

*Kafka* unfolds in graphic, surrealistic fashion, bleakly conveying a Kafkaesque atmosphere of fear and uncertainty. It is not a film you can enjoy in the usual sense of the word, but it is one you can appreciate.

**SNIPPET...**

*This is my Life* is light years away from *Kafka*. It's a cheerful mainstream comedy turning on the efforts of an ambitious, harried Jewish mother (the down-to-earth Julie Kavner) to succeed as a standup comic while raising two perky daughters.

Now playing at Famous Players theatres, *This is My life* marks Nora Ephron's debut as a director. Not bad at all. She shows immense promise.

## Eye on Arts

The Friends of Yiddish presents the Beth Am Players in *Di Goldene Meydlakh*, a musical for Purim. The play, written and directed by Rosalyne Federman, will take place Sunday, March 15 at 8 p.m. at the Workmen's Circle, 471 Lawrence Ave. W.

Members will be admitted free, non-members $6.

For further information call Bella Sanderson at 498-0106 or Freda Tobe at 665-3605.

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The Art Gallery of Ontario presents *Uncle Moses*. A Yiddish film classic on March 21 at 7 p.m. at Jackman Hall, AGO, 317 Dundas St. W. The film explores the Americanization of Jewish immigrants in New York. A discussion on Jewish cinema will follow.

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## *Juno Awards*

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The band has been nominated for a 1992 Juno Award for its debut recording in the all new Best World Beat Recording category. This nomination by industry experts confirms what fans have been saying for years. This popular band has been packing clubs and festival venues across Canada and selling its Jewish roots music to music lovers everywhere.

Another of the recordings nominated in the World Beat category this year *The Gathering*, a compilation of single world beat selections, features the tune *Hora Hora Hora*, by the Flying Bulgar Klezmer Band.

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# A Funny Thing Happened at Leah Posluns

Sam Moses (left) as Hysterium and Howard Jerome as Pseudolus in "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum" now playing at the Leah Posluns Theatre.

By
RON CSILLAG

**TORONTO —**

Tough day at the office/home? Had it with your boss/kids/spouse? Is that deadline/bottom line getting to you? Then get thee straight to the Leah Posluns Theatre for a rollicking night of good, old-fashioned fun, if you don't mind an occasional bit of silly slapstick.

It ain't Shakespeare or Shaw, but for a wound-up urbanite, *A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum* may just be the quick balm you need. Light farce such as this is also the perfect antidote to oppressive theatre.

Burt Shevelove and Larry Gelbart's book treatment of the plays of Titus Maccius Platus has ancient Rome transformed into the Catskills. Poor slave Pseudolus (played to the hilt by the ubiquitous Howard Jerome) longs for his freedom, which he will get if he procures a young virgin from Crete for his master's son, Hero (David Hogan). However, dim-witted Cretan girl Philia (the doe-eyed Glynis Ranney) has been sold by brothel-keeper Lycus (Frank Ruffo) to a fearsome Roman captain (Giulio Kukurugya), while Hero's father Senex (Jack Duffy of Wayne and Schuster fame) thinks she's a new maid in the household and really longs for him.

## Tony Award winner

Mistaken impressions, slamming doors, lots of running around and bumping into things ... well, you get the idea. It may not be for everyone but that's what farce is supposed to be.

The play won a Tony in its day and was made into a sprawling all-star cast movie in 1965, with Zero Mostel as Pseudolus. Jerome is probably the closest thing to Mostel there is and he practically steals the show with his rubber-faced mugging.

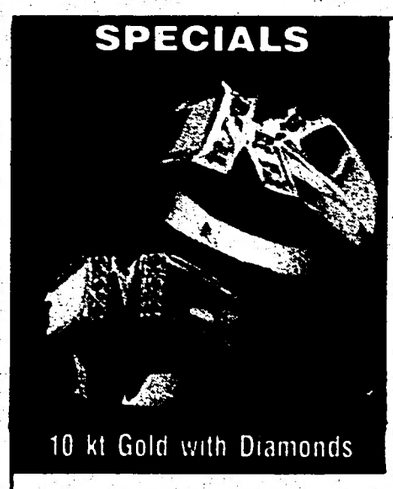
Good marks go to Ranney as Philia, especially for her voice; Jo-Anne Kirwan Clark, who plays Senex's hideous wife, Domina, and to stage veteran Sam Moses as the overwrought slave-in-chief Hysterium.

Familar songs by Stephen Sondheim will have many humming along.

Bob Ainslie's direction is crisp but one tires from looking at Doug Robinson's simple set through two acts.

And while act one moves along nicely, act two descends a bit too quickly into juvenile pratfalls. But what the heck; we could use the yucks.

The play continues to March 29.

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# Religions focus on peace

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

The last four episodes of *One God... Three Gods* will be broadcast on Vision TV later this month and in April at 8:30 p.m.

The British series, hosted by reporter Gillian Reynolds, asks whether Jews, Muslims and Christians can learn from their common heritage and live in peace.

On March 17, *One God... Three Gods* looks at the state of relations between Muslims and Christians in Egypt and its implications for Israel. Reynolds particularly examines the growing power of Islamic fundamentalism.

On March 24, she visits the Israeli village of Neve Shalom, where a group of idealistic Jews, Muslims and Christians work for peace againsts all odds. One of the residents is Bruno Hussar, a Dominican monk of Jewish descent. Reynolds visits Neve Shalom's school, the only one in Israel where the languages of instruction are Hebrew *and* Arabic.

On March 31, in an episode entitled *Children of Abraham*, Reynolds examines the Abrahamic roots of Judaism, Islam and Christianity in Hebron. She also highlights the relationship between a Sephardi Jewish poet and an Arab Christian poet in Nazareth.

Finally, on April 7, *One God... Three Gods* scrutinizes stereotyping, racial attitudes and prejudice. The focus of this segment is a Greek Catholic priest who has written a book dedicated to the Jewish victims of the Holocaust, and a descendant of an American family which established a medical clinic in East Jerusalem.

# Books

By
BERNARD BASKIN

**The Mind of God by Paul Davies (Simon & Schuster) $28.50**

Some years ago John Updike in his novel *Roger's Choice* created a character who wanted to prove the existence of God by means of a computer that would probe the mysteries of time and space. Alas, the experiment did not succeed.

Now, Paul Davies, professor of mathematical physics at the University of Adelaide in Australia, has undertaken a similar task. He wonders whether science can provide the key to unlock the secrets of the universe, even see into the mind of God. Already, he asserts, we have discovered many of nature's secrets. Perhaps the time has come when human beings can reflect on the nature of the universe and glean the laws by which it is governed.

Many scientists now believe that the universe — including life and consciousness — could have come into being spontaneously and that there is no need to posit a creator. As Stephen Hawkins put it in his popular book, *A Brief History of Time*, "So long as the universe had a beginning we could suppose it had a creator. But, if the universe is completely self-contained, having no boundary or edge, it would have neither beginning nor end: it would simply be."

Yet, difficult questions remain. If there are definite laws that govern the universe, what are they and where do they come from? Is there a significant link between the human mind and the organization of the physical world?

Although the author is not a conventional theist, he is sure that our universe is more than a purposeless accident. For him the world of particle physics is more like a crossword than a clockwork mechanism. Each new discovery is a clue which finds its solution in some new mathematical linkage. As the discoveries mount up, so, more and more cross-links are "filled in," and one begins to see a pattern emerge.

In his search for a scientific basis for a rational world, Davies expounds on a great number of topics. These include mathematical theory, computer science, the possibility of multi-universes, complexity in nature, the importance of the scientific method, etc.

In the end the author suggests that not reason or logic, but a kind of mysticism is necessary in order to understand the workings of the universe. "In fact, many of the world's finest thinkers, including some notable scientists such as Einstein, Pauli, Schrodinger, Heisenberg, Eddington and Jeans, have also espoused mysticism. My own feeling is that the scientific method should be pursued as far as it possibly can. Mysticism is no substitute for scientific inquiry and logical reasoning so long as this approach can be consistently applied. It is only in dealing with the ultimate questions that science and logic may fail us."

In a masterly and stimulating fashion, Paul Davis has brought together the worlds of science and religion, physics and metaphysics.


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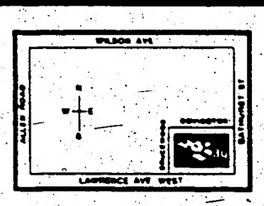

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# Travel

# *Animals, animals everywhere ...*

By
SHELDON KIRSHNER

MIAMI —
Miami is noted for sun, sand and surf, but two of the finest family attractions here pay homage to the animal kingdom.

Parrot Jungle and Gardens, as well as Metro Zoo, are simple, delightful diversions in a city known more for its hedonistic pleasures.

With its exquisitely beautiful landscaped grounds and its colorful and chattering avian inhabitants, Parrot Jungle and Gardens appeals to all age groups.

Young visitors always gravitate to the posing area, where parents with cameras snap picture after picture of parrots perched on their children's shoulders.

Never mind if one of the feathered critters defecates on your shirt. A good-humored attendant with a wet sponge will take care of the mess.

The trained bird show is an eye-opener. Watch for Pinky, the highwire bike artist; Tina, the rollerskater; Duchess, the tricyclist; P.J., the math whiz; Mya, the opera singer; Abby, the drummer; and Congo, the chatterer who on cue rattles off "hello" and "bye" in a seemingly disembodied voice.

Some of their brothers, sisters and cousins are for sale. You can, for example, buy a white cockatiel for $75 or an endangered Hyacinth macaw for $12,000. Take your choice.

The park rewards loyalty. In the so-called seniors' village, retired macaws who've contracted cataracts, arthritis or heart disease perch on their roosts, squawking loudly, never having to worry about performing again. King, the patriarchal macaw, is 52. Once he posed with Winston Churchill. Now, with aplomb, he humors his current guests.

## *Pink flamingos stunning*

The self-conscious, pink flamingos are stunning; the Mandarin ducks are amusing as they waddle around; the African cranes preen.

At the widlife show, an attendant plucks surprises out of cages — scorpions, toads, turtles, a baby alligator, a garter snake, a boa constrictor and a skunk (with its noxious glands removed). The kids love it.

At the petting zoo, a diapered chimpanzee with sad, droopy eyes performs nimble acrobatics. Lauren, my 9-year-old daughter, is transfixed.

The flora here is ethereal. Shady paths amid hardwood hammocks lead to blazing impatien beds, lovely orchid and cactus gardens and soothing ponds with lazy giant goldfish.

Sturdy trees, ranging from graceful palms to lofty figs, reach into the sky.

Thankfully, the Metro Zoo is cageless. Animals are free to roam in fenced-off, open-concept spaces.

From the African plains to the Eurasian steppes, animals of all kinds can be seen.

The rare White Bengal tiger paces up and down. The gibbons, the most adept acrobats of the animal world, swing effortlessly from branch to branch. The siamangs, the largest of the lesser apes, let out unearthly roars. The giant land tortoises lumber along.

The shy Sumatran orangutans, the least sociable of the great apes, do not even acknowledge onlookers. The chimpanzees, by contrast, beckon for peanuts and clap their hands rhthmically. They are so like human beings.

The free-flight aviary, clothed in lush tropical vegetation, contains 80 species from the jungles to the marshlands of Southeast Asia.

More so than we could have anticipated, the zoo is vibrant and fascinating. A real treat.

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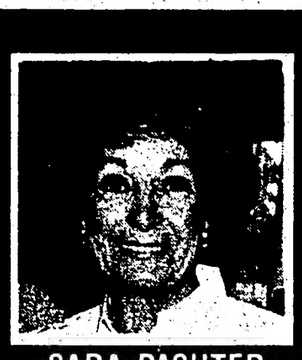
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# Peaceful relations may stimulate foreign investment in Israel: expert

By
PAUL LUNGEN

TORONTO —
Peace between Israel and its neighbors is of central importance for the long term development of the Jewish state's economy, the former governor of the Bank of Israel said recently.

Peaceful relations would not necessarily stimulate the economy through a reduced defence budget. But it would "improve the investment climate" and limit the political uncertainty that keeps international investors from sinking their money in Israeli projects, Prof. Michael Bruno said.

Speaking recently at a lecture sponsored by the New Leadership Division of Canadian Friends of the Hebrew University, Bruno said Israel's defence expenditures probably would not go down in the wake of a peace agreement. Increased vigilance in the wake of a possible territorial compromise would militate against it.

But the length of army and reserve duty might go down in the wake of peace, he added.

Bruno, a professor of economics who has been a visiting academic at a number of American universities, said the recent influx of Jews from the former Soviet Union is, "in the long run, the best thing that could've happened to the Israeli economy.

"What Israel needs more than anything else is an intelligent labor force."

Bruno said that while the emigres are "highly educated and motivated," they do pose a problem — how to absorb them into the country's economy. Job creation is a top government priority, but to fully employ all the Russian Jews, Israel needs foreign investment, he said.

Estimates of the cost of absorbing one million olim are $30 billion (U.S.) over five years, he said. The $10 billion in loan guarantees that Israel is seeking from the United States are important from an economic point of view. They would make it easier for Israel to raise private investment funds and would help Israel borrow money at more favorable interest rates, he said.

The kind of large scale investment needed to employ the massive numbers of Russian Jews is unlikely without the involvement of foreign sources, Bruno suggested. While offshore investment has risen over the past five years, Israel needs more.

(Israeli Trade Minister Moshe Nissim is expected in Canada later this month in a bid to promote both investment in the Jewish state and Canadian joint ventures with Israeli companies.)

Reviewing Israel's economic performance, Bruno said that economic growth picked up after 1985.

Facing staggering inflation that reached close to 500 percent that year, Israel implemented budget-cutting measures as well as a tripartite social and income policy involving government, labor and business to limit wages, prices and money supply.

The result was overall growth from 1986-91 of five percent, increased productivity, but also "labor shedding," or unemployment. With the new Russian immigration, unemployment was boosted to its current level of 10.5 percent.

Israel remains "a fast-growing economy based on international trade," Bruno said. with exports amounting to 36 percent of its Gross National Product.

While Israel has made important strides in addressing its economic problems, it is still over-regulated and requires further privatization to make it more efficient, he said.

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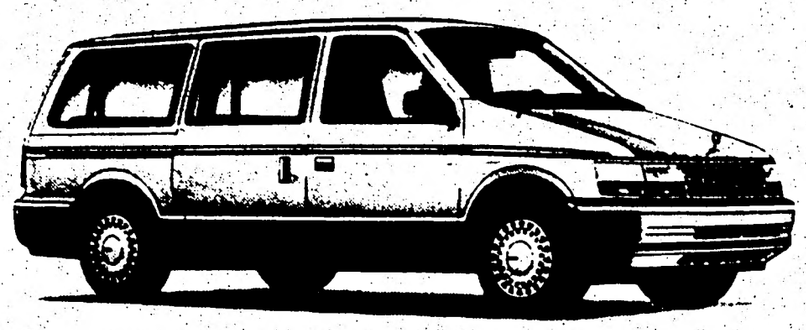
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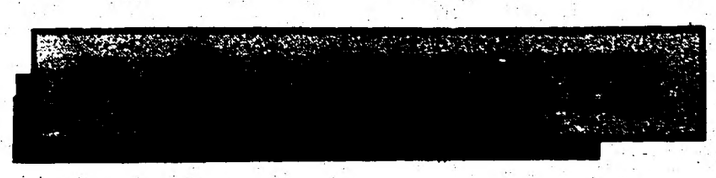

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**AVA/GLENAYR**
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**PRIME LOWER VILLAGE**
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**FOREST HILL RD.**
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**ROBINWOOD — NEWLY LISTED!**
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**ALLENBY TUDOR**
$429,000. Smashing 2-stry. SOLD usic rm., updated kitchen w-w/o to deck, f/p, fin. l-lev AC. Pvt. dr. *Gayle Mitchell.

**MID-TOWN LIVING**
$645,000. Vendor relocating! 3-stry. centre hall, 4 BR., master ens., Snaidero kitchen. Min. from dwntn. Bring Offers! *L. Dennis.

**YONGE/DAVISVILLE**
$379,000. Brand new! "Homes & Garden" 3 BR., 4 baths, quality thruout, intercom. CAC. Garage/Pvt. drive. *S. Sugar-Green.

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$349,000. Cul-de-sac. Wonderful 4 BR. Ideal for 1st time buyer or live-in & practise. Fin. l-level. Great lot. *Leslie Dennis.

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**AVENUE RD/WILSON**
$495,000. Fabulous 3 BR., mn. flr. famm. rm. & pwdr. rm., spacious White kitchen, fin. l-level, CAC. Priced right! Jerry Kerbel.

**AVENUE RD/WILSON**
$259,000. Absolutely stunning SOLD ed 2-stry., 2BR, reno'd kitchen & baths, fireplace. CAC. Deck. Private drive. *Ruth Halperin.

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$279,500. Wonderfully kept SOLD ungalow. 3 BR., eat-in kitchen, fin. l-lvl. w/sep. entry . *E. Winberg/**D. Wagman.

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NOW $219,000. Fabulous view. 2 BR. suite, solarium, 2 baths, approx. 1,400 s.f. CAC. 2 pkg. spaces. **Harold Hillman.

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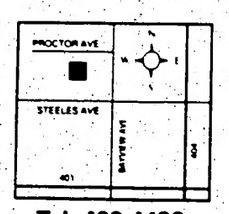


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**LESLIE/SHEPPARD — T.HOME $224,900**
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**Dr. Eitan Kerem makes friends with one of his young patients at Shaare Zedek Medical Center.**

# Shaare Zedek doctor aiming to prevent CF, asthma attacks

JERUSALEM — Jonathan is nine years old and loves basketball. Until recently, however, it was impossible for him to play. He became short of breath and several times was rushed to the Emergency Room at Shaare Zedek Medical Center in the grip of an asthma attack. Following treatment last year, he is now captain of his school's basketball tream!

Ruth, now six, was diagnosed after birth with incurable, severe cystic fibrosis. She suffered from recurrent pneumonia, and having no appetite, could not gain weight; being very weak, she missed a lot of school. In the last few weeks, she has gained two pounds, feels much stronger and has gone back to school.

The change in these two children is typical of the work being done by Shaare Zedek's pediatric pulmonologist, Dr. Eitan Kerem. After graduating from Hebrew University Medical School, he was a Clinical Fellow at Toronto's Hospital for Sick Children, in the Division of Respiratory Medicine, from 1987-90. Now working in Shaare Zedek's Department of Pediatrics, he has an impressive number of publications and abstracts to his credit, mostly focusing on his two main interests — asthma and pneumonia in children and cystic fibrosis. His goal is to prevent attacks.

Dr. Kerem describes asthma as a sensitivity of the airways, triggered, in a hypersensitive subject, by a wide range of substances. Some patients are treated with bronchodilators and a short course of steroids, life-saving and not dangerous if used for 3-5 days. Others, like Jonathan, are followed up by regular visits to his clinic for preventive treatment.

Cystic fibrosis, much more serious, is the most common serious genetic disease in Caucasians, affecting one in 2,000 births — five percent of the population are carriers. A disorder of the mucus-secreting glands of the lungs, pancreas, mouth, gastro-intestinal tract, and the sweat glands of the skin, only 12 per cent of affected children survived to adolescence two decades ago; today 75 percent survive to adulthood, some even to their 30s and 40s.

The increase in little Ruth's weight in the past few weeks is due to innovative treatment: a gastrostomy was performed (an opening made from the front of the abdomen into the stomach so that fluid can enter). She is now fed at night while she sleeps with a special high calorie formula which does not need the missing enzyme to absorb it. Although cystic fibrosis is currently incurable, Dr. Kerem is optimistic there will eventually be a medical breakthrough.

## *Hoping for donations*

Dr. Kerem intends to develop the Pediatric Pulmonary Service and is hoping for donations to enable him to buy a pediatric flexible bronchoscope and an infant pulmonary function tests system. "I feel a great deal of satisfaction . . . especially when I see children like Jonathan and Ruth able to have a relatively normal childhood and be well enough to enjoy it."

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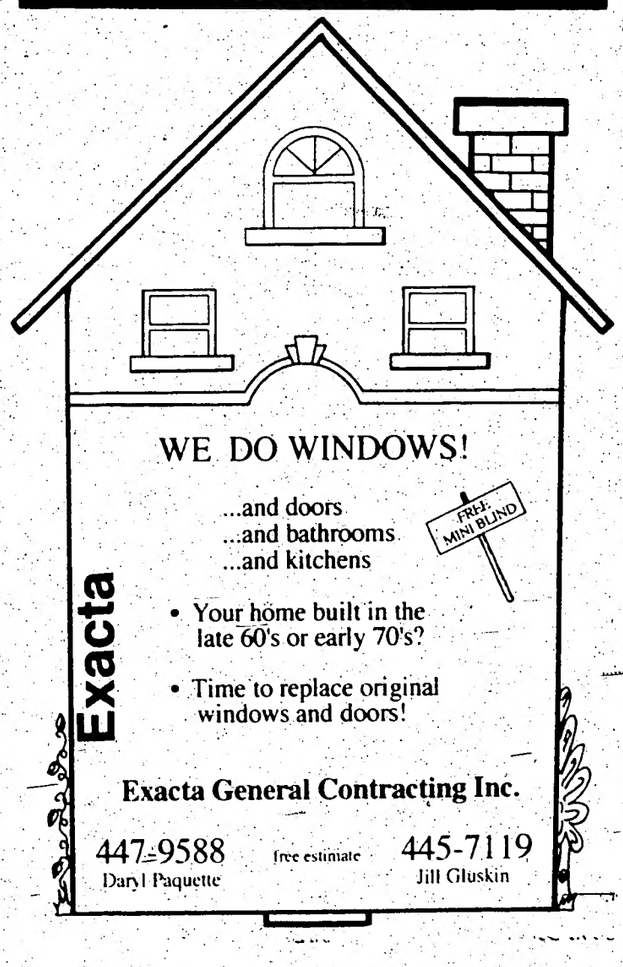

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## Shul enhances Jacob's efforts

# Catering means teamwork

From the owner to the maitre d', from the catering consultant to the chef, the staff at Jacob's Catering considers themselves a team, working "to make your simcha our simcha," as consultant Doreen Greenspan describes it.

"We all feel personally involved."

Located at the Beth Avraham Yoseph Synagogue in Thornhill for the last four years, Jacob's Catering offers a wide variety of services, recipies and menus from the very simple to the most elaborate.

And you aren't alone in planning your affair — the staff will help you choose the food, decor, colors, help with the liquor if necessary, and even advise you in choosing a band and florist if you need that assistance.

Luigi, the ever-present maitre d', keeps an eagle eye on what is going on. As well, either Greenspan or owner Kalman Lowenthal is present from the beginning to the end of any event.

European-trained executive chef Bruno, a veteran of 25 years cooking at kosher functions, offers a continually expanding menu. New features, for instance, include barbequed vegetables and beef wellington.

There is a trend for people to choose lighter menus with fewer courses, both because of the current economic climate and the trend towards healthier eating.

In many cases, for instance, the entree will be chicken wellington, instead of prime rib, even such delectable dishes as salmon teriyaki.

That most modern feature of these health-conscious days, the salad bar, is also making its appearance.

At the beginning of May, Jacob's will also be opening a dairy kitchen, which will function in the sisterhood hall of the synagogue.

Greenspan sees this new service as being not only for smaller affairs, but also for such events as brunches, bridal showers, engagement parties and teas.

The synagogue itself enhances what Jacob's provides.

There are three bridal rooms, an outdoor chuppah, as well as a skylight permitting weddings under the stars in the huge, marbleized foyer, and a neutral decor which is a delight for florists.

Facilities are large — parking, number of rooms, sanctuary, and the hall, which can be subdivided into configurations serving from 50 to 1,000 people.

The synagogue is fully accessible to the handicapped.

# There's nothing fishy about Daiter's quality

Everyone knows that all fish Canadians buy is government inspected.

Only it's not.

Just some of the fish processors are willing to undergo the rigid inspections, follow the stringent rules and do the constant and detailed paper work that is entailed.

Smoked Fish Factory, also under the supervision of COR, is one such place.

Ron Daiter explained that all businesses, including fish businesses, are supervised to a certain extent by the local authorities, which check for such basic things as clean washrooms, the presence (hopefully, the absence) of mice, and so on.

## Regular inspections

But the Quality Management Program (QMP for short) is a program of the federal department of health and welfare and the department of fisheries. Compliance with its requirements enable the company to sell out of the province.

The basic goal is to ensure that fish is handled, packaged and sold properly.

Regular monthly inspections check to make sure that everything is being done according to published guidelines.

Participants have to buy everything, from the raw fish to spices to equipment from government approved places. Packages going into stores must be labelled as to where the material is from, exactly what is in it, and whether it is to be refrigerated or frozen.

Every purchase has to be accounted for, every equipment check must be recorded.

Samples are taken to check, not only for disease-causing factors, but to make sure what is there is what is claimed to be there.

The inspector returns after a time to give a "report card," as Daiter described it.

The idea, Daiter explained is to protect the public — to provide the highest possible quality product.

Smoked Fish Factory is part of the Daiter's family of businesses, which dates from a Kensington Market store some 55 years ago. Smoked fish has been produced since 1981.

Among the products of the Weston Road and Steeles factory are whitefish, carp, salmon (lox), chubs and barbequed salmon.

Daiter says Smoked Fish Factory is taking advantage of the benefits from being part of QMP — he is starting to sell in Montreal, and even such exotic locales as Australia.


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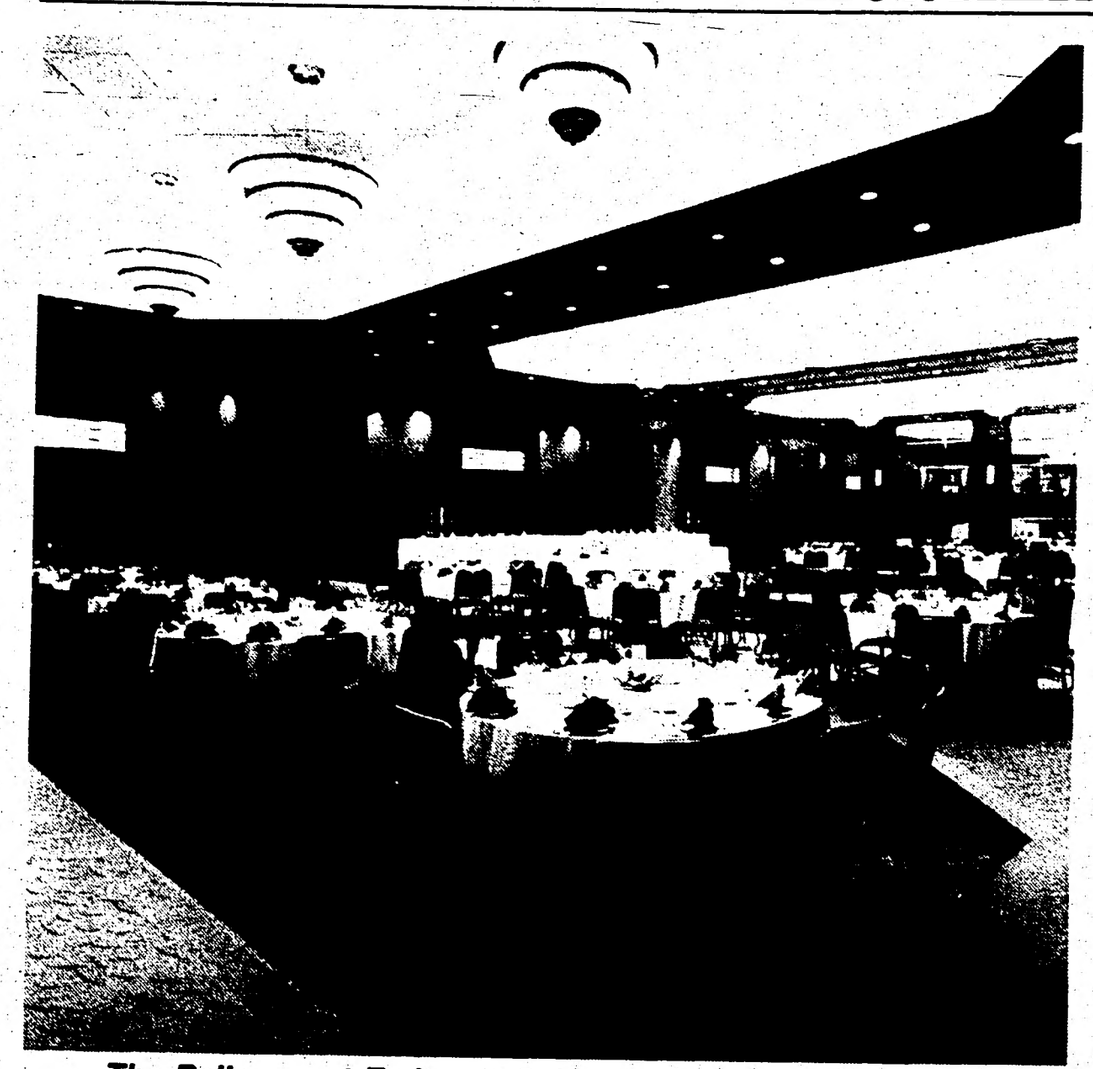

*The Ballroom at Embassy Suites Hotel Markham/Toronto.*

# Kosher Embassy opens in Markham

York Region is not just a place for skiing, hiking and barbeques.

Its fast-growing list of amenities includes the super-elegant Markham Suites hotel, which even offers kosher facilities..

For even better service, Markham Suites has recently signed a franchise agreement with Embassy Suites Inc., and will become the first international franchise for the United States' largest all-suite chain.

James Pearson, general manager of Markham Suites hotel, called Embassy Suites "a highly reputable chain of all suite hotels... we are confident that the affiliation will have an incremental effect on our occupancy, especially with U.S. travellers visiting Toronto for business or pleasure."

The hotel will be known as Embassy Suites — Toronto/Markham, as of early spring of this year.

The property will be operated under a franchise agreement with Leisureworld, Inc. of Toronto, the current hotel operators. All hotel owners and management will remain the same.

As with all Embassy Suites hotels, guest suites will include a separate living room, bath and bedroom, two television sets, two telephones and a stocked refrigerator.

Customers are also offered a complimentary cooked-to-order breakfast and evening beverages.

Clyde Culp, president and CEO of Embassy Suites Hotel division called the Markham area "Silicon Valley North," and noted that it is home to many large American companies who are familiar with the Embassy Suites product.

Markham Suites hotel "has the finest accommodations in the Toronto," Culp said. He added that he anticipates that it is the first of eight Embassy Suites hotels in Canada over the next five years.

In September of 1991, the hotel was awarded a five star hotel rating by Tourism Ontario Inc. in the large hotel category.

Tourism Ontario describes a five star large hotel as one which offers "deluxe accommodations, the greatest selection of facilities, amenities and guest services."

The hotel has 332 suites, three restaurants, 14 meeting rooms, ranging from 600 to over 4,000 square feet, a Japanese garden which can hold up to 300 people, and Club Markham, a first class health club right in the hotel, which is free to all hotel guests.

Amenities of Club Markham include a private spa, squash courts and a pool.

Room service is available 24 hours a day.

Markham Suites was also awarded a four star award by the 1992 Mobil Travel Guide, for which the criteria includes distinctive architectural design, gracious hospitality, impeccable furnishings and decor, immaculate housekeeping and a superior staff.

The hotel offers kosher facilities, under COR, using their own supurb chefs. It is perfect for conferences, banquets, weddings, and bar/bat mitzvahs. From 100 to 300 people can be accommodated.

Although at first glance it may appear to be far from the centre of the action in Toronto, in fact, it is right at Highway 7, with easy access to Highway 404 and the Don Valley Parkway and Highway 401.

Another bonus is the ample free parking.

For more information about the hotel or the kosher facilities, write 8500 Warden Ave., Markham, L6G 1A5, or telephone 470-8500, fax 477-8611.

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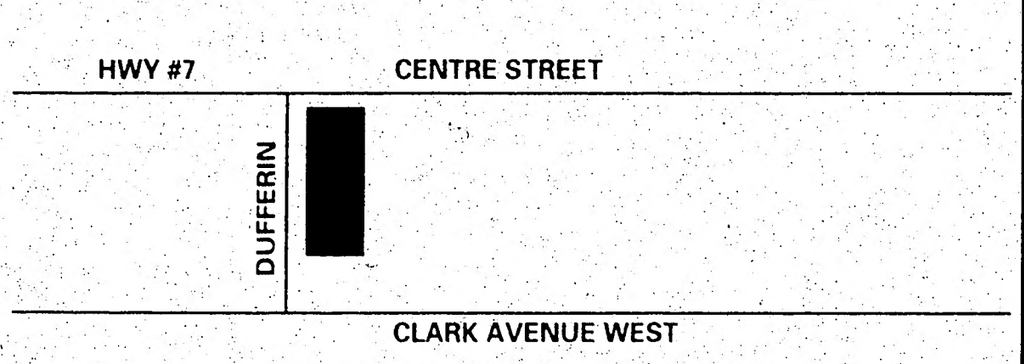


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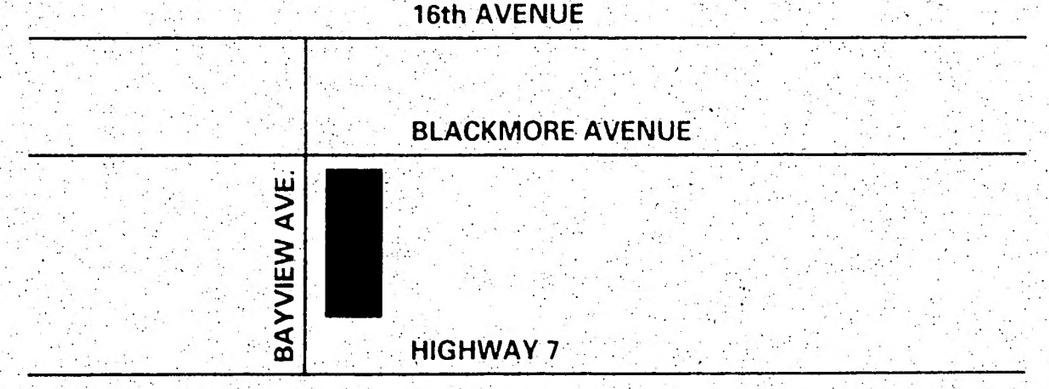



LOEB FOOD PEOPLE

*Looking over the kosher meat displays at Clark branch of Loeb Supermarket.*

# Loeb's says 'yes' to customer's requests

Joe Laise and Marty McDonald have much more in common than their respective wives having the same first name. Both are owners of a Loeb supermarket and both have seen the benefits of putting in a kosher section for their customers.

McDonald, whose store is at Bayview and Highway 7, said that when the store opened in May of last year, it didn't have a kosher section at all. But at the request of customers, he decided to introduce a small section. It wasn't long, however, before he had to expand and "now we're expanding again because of all the requests we've had for it."

In the meat section, McDonald's Loeb offers prepackaged meats from Perl's and chicken from Chai Poultry. There is also a prepared food section which carries items like lasagna that are supplied by L'Echaim. Add to that a variety of frozen kosher products and dry groceries and you have a well-stocked kosher section.

"It's been a real bonus for us," says McDonald.

Over at Coulter's Mill Market Place at 1450 Clark Ave., Laise feels the same way. His Loeb store, which opened Dec. 4 in 1989, also carries prepackaged kosher meats and a wide range of kosher grocery items. The kosher section was introduced to better serve his customers after a number of requests had been made to him.

"We pride ourselves on service and keeping our customers happy so we are very sensitive to their needs."

Both owners cite customer service as a big plus at Loeb's, from the carry-out service to the little things like walking customers to their cars with an umbrella on rainy days. McDonald and Laise both point to the cleanliness and brightness of their stores and the open concept, where a customer can see much of the production areas.

Wider aisles clear of stock is another plus, they say, not to mention plenty of visible staff and parcellers at every checkout.

And then, of course, there's price, or what they call their club pricing structure where customers can get great prices without having to buy the product by the case and pay a membership fee at club outlets.

"What we want to do is not only give great value for their money," says Laise, "but take the hassle out of shopping. We want people to come in, buy what they want and be able to leave as quickly as possible. That's why we have no-hassle check cashing card privileges where we can offer that service right on the spot."

"We also have a lot of product sampling and free coffee is available to our customers at all times," says McDonald. "Our goal is to get people to come into the store, because Loeb is a new name here, but once they've shopped here, they become a Loeb customer."

There is, however, another side to both of these Loeb stores and that's the human side. "There's no question that we're a community-oriented company," says Laise, who along with wife Kathy, make it a point to get to know the people in the community and to understand the community itself.

"We try to support the community in any way we can," says McDonald, either through donations or participating in events held by the different organizations."

One of the things they do is hold barbecues for local charities and donate all the proceeds to them. "Last year," says McDonald, "we donated more than $13,000 from these barbecues to local schools and organizations. We're very proud of that."

Marty and his wife Katherine are pleased with the way things are going. "We've got a good store and our being here ourselves makes a big difference. As owners, we make sure the customer is well taken care of and people appreciate that."

Laise agrees. "My being on site adds a bit of a different flavor as opposed to a store manager. Our standards are very high here in terms of cleanliness and keeping the store up to snuff. We try to fulfill our customers' requests to the best of our abilities and try not to miss things. We want our customers to enjoy a total shopping experience."

The Loeb name reaches back to the founder of the family business, Moses Loeb, who in 1912 left his wife Rose minding a candy store while he bought a horse and cart and peddled candy and tobacco to corner stores.

In 1977, the Loeb chain of stores was taken over by Provigo Inc.

## Supermarkets launch kosher sections

# Switch to table varietals

## Kedem squeezes in quality

The main reason for Israel keeping the Golan Heights is not security, as everyone thinks it is: it is the incredible Gamla wines that come from there.

At least, that is the opinion of Jay Buchsbaum, marketing director and vice-president of Kedem Wines.

"The mountainous region might make it harder to grow grapes, but it makes the wine intense and rich in flavor. Gamla wines are the best choice in wines."

Just as consumer preferences have changed, so Kedem has gone from specializing in sweet Concord wines, which used to account for 80 to 90 percent of its offerings, to fine table varietals.

Baron Herzog 1991 white zinfandel, which, contrary to its name is actually rose in color, is a not-quite-dry, fruity, raspberry flavor, with a floral aroma. It is appropriate for a wide variety of foods.

Wine, the product of crushed grapes, is actually naturally white, Buchsbaum explained. "It gets its color from the pigment of the grape skins."

So, to get the rose color of Baron Herzog's white zinfandel, for instance, the skins are left on for a very short time. For red wines, they are left on for longer.

Buchsman suggests it is especially appropriate for Passover, because it is 25 percent lower in alcohol than similar wines.

For the first time in Toronto, Kedem is making available J. Furst wines. It appears in white zinfandal, cabernet and chardonnay varieties.

Joseph Zakon, winemaker for Kesser wines, another Kedem offering, recommends Kesser Eminent Dry. "It is especially perfect for the seder, because it has no sugar and only seven percent alcohol," Zakon explains.

"When you have to have four cups of wine, the lower alcohol content really means a lot," Buchsbaum added.

Bartenura Asti Spumante is made from muscato grapes from Asti, Italy. Buchsbaum notes that it is "slightly sweet, with lots of effervescence, like champagne. It has only seven percent alcohol."

Kedem Wines are under the supervision of the Union of Orthodox Congregations and the Arogas Habosem.

# L'Echaim Caterers likes a good house party

L'Echaim Caterers continues to expand its facilities, services and products.

A new larger plant recently opened at 786 Supertest Rd., just off Dufferin Street between Finch and Steeles.

The new facilities will enable the 19-year-old company to better serve its corporate, private, retail and wholesale customers.

## Company does banquets, weddings

A specialty, says owner Aliette Ponte, is house parties, for which they supply the food, waitresses, table cloths — "we can do everything," she says.

The company also does large banquets, weddings, bar/bat mitzvahs, "any function," at hotels, halls or houses.

It will also supply kosher food to hospitals, and kosher room service at certain hotels.

Their fresh and frozen products are available at several stores around the city.

Many children (and their parents) enjoy L'Echaim's tiny quiches for a quick and tasty lunch.

The new quarters are also home to a retail outlet and take-out counter for lunches.

Ponte is concerned that workers from the many factories and businesses in the area who keep kosher are not aware of the delectable lunches they can get at L'Echaim.

The menu includes sandwiches of many different types, soups, salads, fresh fruit or fruit cocktail, muffins, croissants, juices, pop and tea and coffee.

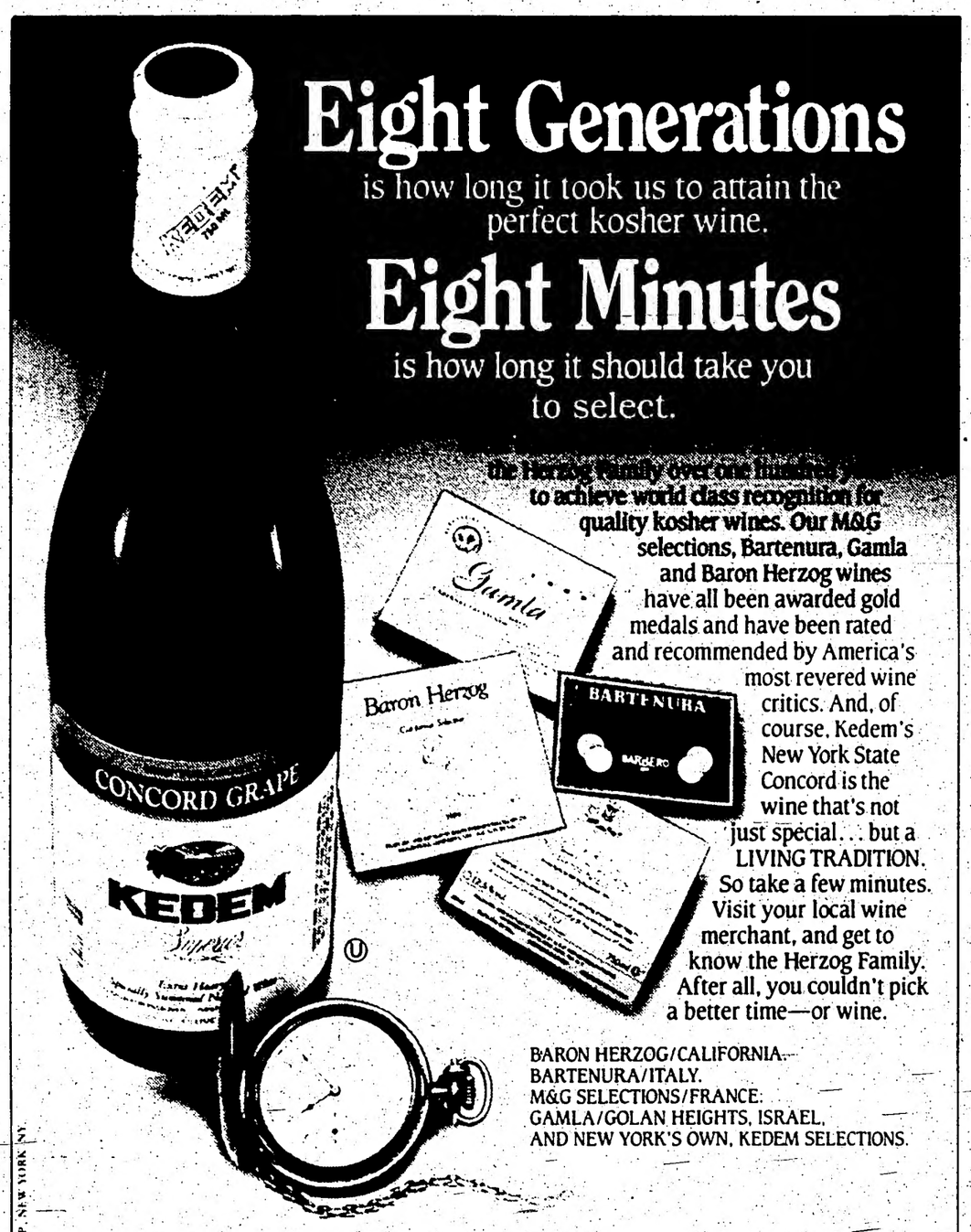
A retail outlet, also at the Supertest Rd. address, acts like a factory outlet, and sells L'Echaim products at discount prices, Ponte says.

Egg rolls, cabbage rolls, chicken fingers, anything the company makes, is available at the outlet, she explains.

## Kashruth Council supervision

For information about catering, contact Jack Ponte, at 650-5440.

L'Echaim Caterers is under the supervision of the Kashruth Council of Toronto.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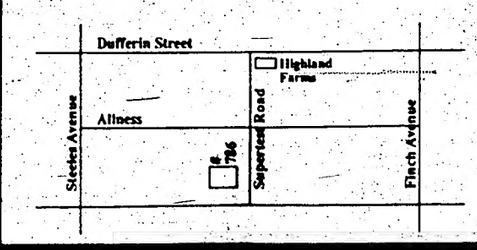


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# L'Hôtel CORfully expands for catering

This past January, Claude Gambin, chef at L'Hôtel, a Canadian Pacific hotel at 225 Front St. W. in Toronto, received the chef of the year award for luxury class hotels for 1991. He has also won awards for his unique hotel kitchen designs.

This would not mean a whole lot to those who keep kosher, except for the fact that he is also in charge of L'Hôtel's kosher kitchen and services.

Last year, the ballroom was included in a $2½ million renovation. Hotel spokesman Christopher Ashby waxed especially eloquent about the ceiling, which was handpainted like a sky with puffy clouds.

In late 1989, director of catering Ross Massey relates, the banquet kitchen, on the lower level, directly connecting with the ballroom, was converted so that it could be used for kosher catering.

This was done under the watchful eye of COR, which is still the supervising body.

New dishes and flatware were purchased, which are used exclusively for kosher functions.

For kosher events, says Massey, the hotel doesn't like to exceed 350 people, with space for dancing.

When a kosher event is scheduled to take place, the kitchen is closed to general use and kashered, under the supervision (and with the assistance of) a COR mashgiach.

While kosher baked goods, including breads, challahs, pastries and desserts are brought in, all cooking is done on the premises.

When someone wants to have a kosher affair at L'Hôtel, they are shown a kosher "package," outlining the hors d'oeuvres, entrees, and sweet table suggestions, both as set menus or a la carte.

They are also able to design their own meal, with the help and advice of Massey and the chef.

They are even given the opportunity to taste a sample meal, even being offered several examples from which to choose.

And what choices!

Kosher selections include fish terraine with basil and tomato couli, gaspacho andalous, grilled supreme of chicken with sesame seeds served on a red pepper coulis with wild rice and young vegetables, nougat glace, Atlantic salmon butterfly with watercress sabayon.

You can even get the same entree developed for world leaders at the Economic Summit held in Toronto two years ago — breast of capon stuffed with fresh vegetables.

"We specialize in delivering exactly what the client wants," says Massey. "That's our specialty, that's our flexibility."

A wedding at L'Hôtel sounds like a dream.

The Ontario and Niagara rooms, smaller rooms off the main ballroom, are available free of charge for the ceremony. As well, small hospitality suites are available for the wedding party to dress in, and special rates are offered for out of town guests.

(The special rates are offered for out of town guests for other events held in the hotel as well.)

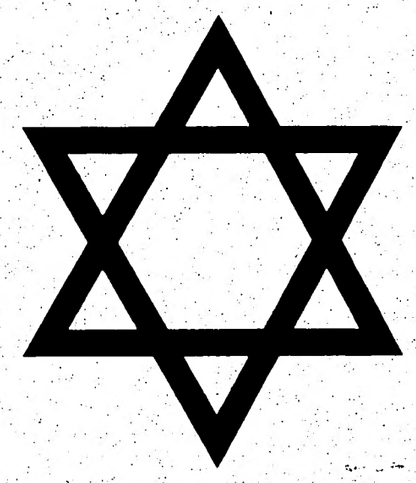
As an extra touch, the bride and groom are given a complementary suite for the night.

Ashby also points out that the enormous hotel atrium, an elegant setting alive with greenery, marble, beautiful chandeliers, and mahogany walls, is a perfect place for pictures. It is available for those having their affair in the hotel or, for those staying there.

"The hotel lends itself to a setting of grandeur," Ashby says.

For a function you will be proud to host, or for information, call Massey at 597-8120 or 597-1400.

*The Front Street facade of L'Hôtel.*

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# Family pride keeps Westhill at the top

Westhill Dairies is back in the Waldman family and Stephen Waldman is very happy.

Westhill, manufacturers of such kosher dairy products as sour cream, cottage cheese, cream cheese, yogurt and butter, is a 50 year old family business that was sold out of the family in 1971. "It was resold in 1978 and then in 1988, myself and Liberty in Montreal bought it back and now we're back to being a family-run business. I couldn't be happier," says Waldman, president of the company.

He says that Westhill, manufacturing under the names of Western, Blue Bell and Bird's Hill, recently won the North York Business Achievement award for 1991. "Despite tough economic times and so many other businesses suffering, we have expanded. So much so, that we're now moving our distribution centre to a 12,000 sq. ft. room to accommodate our growing needs. We have 22 trucks on the road servicing our customers."

He says that the secret behind Westhill's success really is no secret at all. "We are selling products that everyone needs. Even in the toughest of times, people continue to buy dairy products. They may cut back on many items but dairy products are really not a luxury — they are a basic food type and with so many people watching their diets, foods such as yogurt and cottage cheese seem to be a natural choice. As well, more and more people are saving money by taking their lunch to work instead of going out to eat so again, cheese sandwiches or yogurt is a good choice."

***Yogurt and sour cream are just 2 of the luscious dairy products produced by Westhill Dairies.***

He adds that again because of the hard economic times many people have taken to entertaining at home instead of calling a babysitter and going out for the evening. "Cheese and crackers, cheesecakes, sour coffee cakes — they all make good entertainment fare."

Waldman says that being a family-run business they are able to keep strict control over the quality of their products and therefore pride themselves on top quality food items as well as good service to their customers. "We are available to re-order or rectify any problems that may occur. We cater to large customers such as supermarket chains as well as smaller independent stores. We also sell to many bagel retaurants in the Toronto area."

He says that Westhill manufactures all of its own products in a plant in Downsview. "This is another reason we are able to keep strict control of our products. We do not have to depend on someone else to provide us with high quality items. These are all reasons why our business has prospered in the past few years."

Keeping up with the trend towards low-fat, low sugar foods, Westhill has developed a no fat, no cholesterol, plain flavored yogurt that has become quite popular. "Simply by adding such things as a little bit of fresh fruit or vanilla flavoring, you've got a delicious snack that is good for anyone's diet. Yogurt can be substituted for sour cream in many recipes, so where a cook may not make a recipe because it calls for sour cream, she can make it with yogurt without altering the taste all that much."

## Light cream cheese planned

In the works at the Westhill plant is a light cream cheese that is an addition to the line of lighter cheeses it already produces. "We have a research department right at the plant that develops all our new products. All the research and testing is done right on the premies, so again we can keep a tight control of everything that is going on. This is another way the customer is assured that everything we offer is top-of-the-line."

He notes that with the development of a lighter cream cheese, many people who would not ordinarily be able to eat cream cheese can now enjoy it from time to time. "It eases up their diet a bit."

Waldman says that as well as producing their own manufactured goods, Westhill is also the Ontario distributor for Tropicana orange juice from Florida, and Yoplait yogurt.

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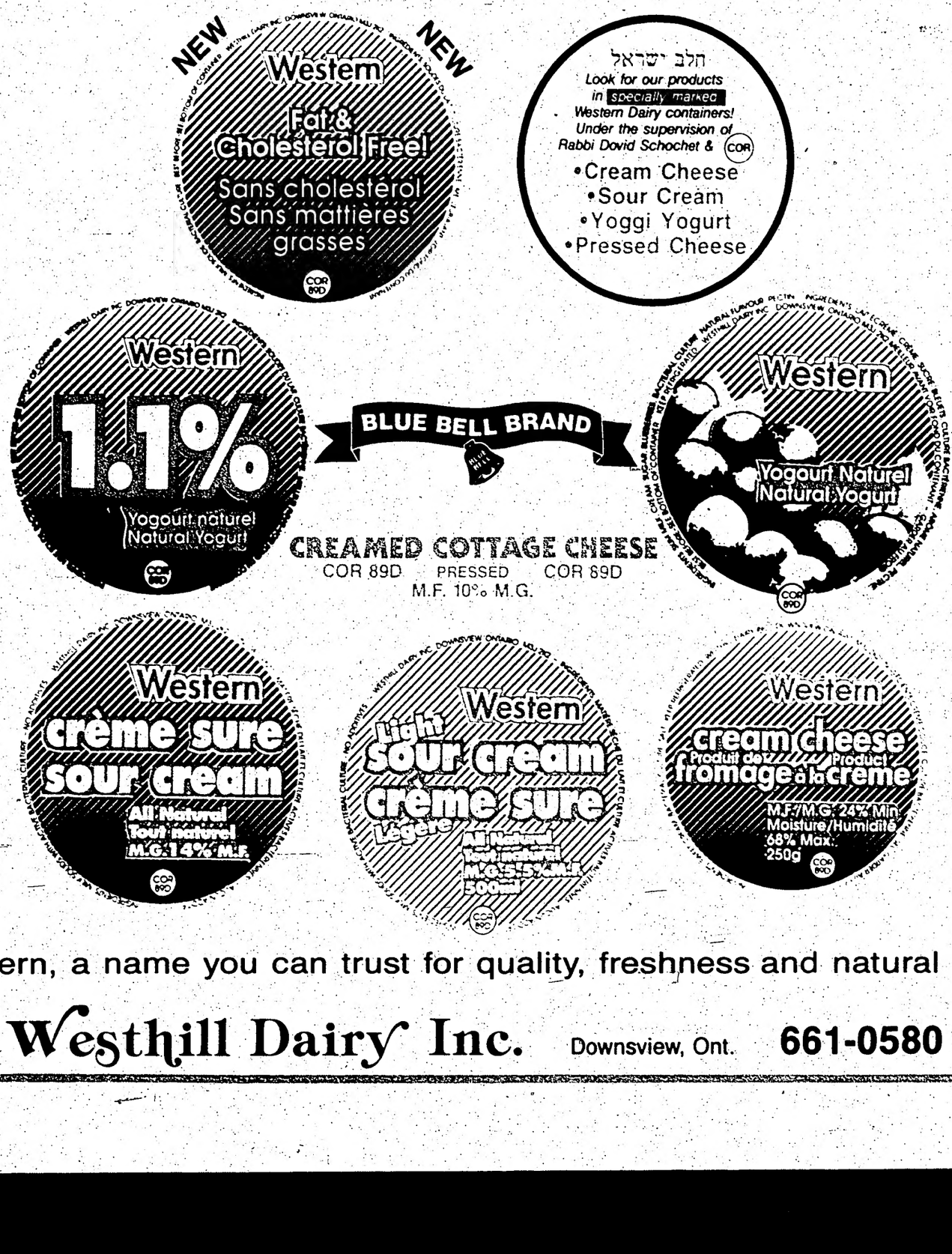


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# Miracle provides just the right glatt cut

For some years now, certain branches of Miracle Food Mart in Toronto have had kosher meat, under the supervision of COR.

But now, reports spokesman Ben Koldyk, the stores have gone glatt kosher "to better serve a wider population in the kosher community."

And not just glatt.

Miracle is selling federally inspected meat from Agri Processors in Iowa, in the United States.

The meat is schechted and kashered under the supervision of K'Hal Adas Jeshurun, Breuer's hashgacha.

A Canadian rabbi who went down to see the plant, said Koldyk, "said he had never seen any (slaughtering) so skillfully done."

After purchase, the meat is brought to the Bathurst and Sheppard branch of Miracle for processing into steaks, roasts and other cuts, a procedure carried out under the supervision of the Kashruth Council of Toronto.

Koldyk says that, besides being acceptable, halachically speaking, to the widest range of kosher consumers, because the plant is so large, a wider range of cuts can be made available.

"We can buy exactly what we need," Koldyk says, pointing out that American and Canadian customers may not want the same thing.

What new things can one find?

For instance, he says, oxtails, used in soup, are becoming very popular here.

(Oxtails, it should be noted, are not really from oxen — they are from beef, Koldyk explains. Another illusion down the drain.)

Minute roast is another new cut. A cross rib section of the shoulder, it is "small, very lean, and cooks up very tasty."

Miami ribs, great for spareribs, and sometimes in short supply here, says Koldyk, are more readily available, as is prime rib at better prices.

## Extensive kosher grocery lines

Customers who want particular cuts can ask, and the store will try to accomodate them.

K'hal Adas Jeshurun meat is available at four of the Toronto branches, Bathurst at Viewmount, Bathurst at Sheppard, Bathurst at Steeles and Don Mills at Steeles.

The branches also currently supply lamb and veal under chasidishe schechita.

However, Koldyk says, Miracle's kosher butcher (the supervisor of their kosher meat departments) is currently in Iowa to show Agri Processors how Canadian customers like their lamb and veal cut.

Miracle also has a good supply of Chai kosher chicken and turkey.

An appealing feature of Miracle Food Marts is their extensive kosher grocery lines. Many of their own house brands are under kosher supervision, and they have a wide selection of general kosher products.

Pesach shopping is a delight, because, especially at the Bathurst and Steeles branch, one can find not only many kosher-for Passover products, but also paper goods, plastic and other needs for the holiday.

*Choosing glatt kosher meat at Miracle Food Mart, Sheppard at Bathurst branch.*

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# Zuchters' quality goes retail

"For us, it's a natural extension of what we do," says David Berk, president of Zuchters Creative Kitchen, a retail outlet of kosher (COR) prepared and packaged foods, which held its grand opening on Feb. 26 in the Sunnybrook supermarket on Wilmington Avenue in North York.

Although this is the beginning of a new company, Berk has been involved in the food business for many years, running Zuchters Creative Catering at the Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Synagogue.

"People have been asking us for so long: 'Where can I get your food?' " says Berk. "Now we'll be able to take what we do on the catering side into our customers' homes."

The retail counter holds an array of freshly prepared foods, salads, chicken, meat, soups, side dishes such as crepes and egg rolls, as well as an assortment of offerings with an international flair — Italian, Chinese and Middle Eastern dishes.

Also for sale are some packaged foods: salad dressings, pasta sauces, and some interesting, all-purpose condiments like saucy Thai peanut sauce and sweet and sour horseradish-mustard sauce.

Certain dishes are available only on Thursdays and Fridays — items such as gefilte fish, chopped liver and fricasee — so they are particularly fresh for Shabbat meals, says Berk.

"Our menus won't be stagnant, they will be changing. We'll be changing the international dishes, so we'll be having a lot of variety. But there are certain basics that people look for, and we certainly provide them."

Berk adds that he feels his business is very competitive. "We're certainly price conscious," he says. "We're providing an excellent product, and we'll provide value." Weekly specials are available.

The business is being managed by seasoned Zuchter staff who have been involved for many years in the food business.

Opening this company is an exciting prospect for Berk and his wife, Lorraine, who is actively involved as secretary-treasurer. They recall that Lorraine's grandmother, Fanny, opened the first Jewish-style restaurant in the city of Toronto in the year 1930. In the mid-'50s, Lorraine's father, Max Zuchter, started the catering business, then at the Beth Sholom Synagogue. And now, the third generation is extending the family business by opening the retail operation.

As Sunnybrook expands into the northern reaches of the city, with the projected opening of a new store on Bayview, north of John Street, just after Passover, Zuchters Creative Kitchen plans to open a counter in that store as well.

"There is a convenience factor," says Berk. "When people do their grocery shopping, they will see what we have . . . all of this, with quality and value, too."

## Only kosher poultry plant

# Chai's really clucking

Energetic, looking to the future — this is an apt description of Chai Kosher Poultry, the only plant of its kind in Ontario.

Its 6-year old, modern, federally inspected plant provides over 6,000 birds a day to the kosher market across Canada. The only place where Chai poultry is not found is the province of Quebec.

Packaged and loose, the company ships chicken, turkeys, cornish hens, stewing hens, and ducks. Its staff of 54, includes three shochtim (slaughterers) and two mashgichim (kashruth supervisors.)

Supervision is from the Kashruth Council of Toronto and by Rabbi Sofer.

Poultry prepared under Lubavitch auspices also comes from Chai Poultry.

Chai is proud that it will shortly be offering turkey in new packaging, to give different ideas for healthier cooking.

## Turkey products available

Turkey scallopini, kebabs, steaks and steakettes will be available on completely biodegradable styrofoam trays.

The company, the only Jewish family-owned and operated chicken poultry supplier in Ontario. sells only Ontario-grown products.

It processes and delivers daily (even up to three times a day when called for) to neighborhood sites, and chain stores, including Miracle Food Mart, Food City, and Loblaws.

The company has recently undergone major renovations to upgrade and modernize its processing facilities, so as to ensure quality and good, prompt service.

In this day and age, with health conscious consumers turning more and more to healthy, low-fat food, it is comforting to know that those who keep kosher can get high quality, conveniently packaged poultry, prepared under the highest standards of cleanliness.

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# Hermes Bakery: A shomer shabbes tradition

Hermes Bakery, one of the last surviving all-purpose bakeries, also holds the distinction of being the oldest shomer shabbes bakery still in existence in Toronto.

"We were the first [shomer shabbes] bakery, and we are still around, says a pleased Israel Maierovits of what is still a family business.

The Maierovits family, the founders of Hermes bakery, have been in the bakery business for over 75 years. In 1954, Hermes bakery opened its first Toronto branch, on St. Clair just east of Oakwood.

There are now three branches, 2885 Bathurst Street, at Glengrove; 3543 Bathurst, at Baycrest and a franchise at 652 Sheppard West.

Israel Maierovits, son of founder Herman Maierovits, notes that the Sheppard branch is under new management. Plans are underway to extensively renovate that store, "hopefully before Pesach!"

Hermes serves retail and wholesale customers, as well as offering specialty baking, such as wedding and bar mitzvah cakes and elegant pastries.

From plain to fancy, Hermes offers breads, challahs, cakes, pies, rogelach, you name it. Boston cream pies and chocolate layer cakes are special favorites.

Health-conscious customers can ask for stone ground whole wheat bread and whole grain rye bread, which is available daily.

For Purim, Israel Maierovits reports, customers can look forward to new flavors of hamentaschen, including cherry, blueberry, apricot, and lemon, besides the customary prune, poppy and raspberry.

Hermes will be open on Passover, with its usual selection of high quality baked goods.

Hermes is, and in Toronto always has been, under the supervision of COR.

## Daily grocery specials

A large selection of groceries, refrigerated products and frozen foods are a feature of Hermes stores.

The Bathurst branches have daily feature grocery specials that change every day.

Examples, Israel Maierovits said, have been a 2-litre bottle of Crisco oil for $4.49, a 100 gram bar of Schmerling chocolate for $1.59 and Hellmans mayonnaise, $3.79 for a 750 ml bottle.

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From matzahs to gefilte fish to different kinds of soup, Supreme Foods imports and distributes a wide variety of kosher foods across Canada.

Paul Bonder, co-owner of the company, says that despite difficult economic times and depressed sales, not only in the food industry but in all facets of business, Supreme Foods Limited has shown substantial growth in the past few years. "We've expanded so much that recently we were forced to move to larger premises to accommodate our extensive inventory of kosher food products."

Bonder says that Supreme imports and distributes kosher food items, including kosher for Passover foods, to grocery chains and independent stores across the country. As well, Colonial Food Products, a division of Supreme Foods Limited, services the Kosher food service industry including synagogues and restaurants.

He says that he has noticed over the past ten years that more and more people have begun asking for kosher food. "Many manufacturers have recognized this trend and have obtained rabbinical certification for their products. In an effort to strengthen our ties with Israel and help the country economically we have greatly increased our imports from Israel in the past few years."

Bonder is pleased to note that many stores that have never previously carried kosher products have begun making inquiries about carrying a kosher line of foods.

He says that Supreme Foods is always on the forefront of food trends and it has taken the trend towards a lighter, lower fat diet quite seriously. "Our new salsa sauce for example is low in fat and calories and is excellent as a dip or pasta sauce."

Another important trend is the one towards healthy, but quick meals. "Most parents these days do not have the time to come home from work and cook a large meal, yet they do not want to eat sandwiches for dinner every night. We have created microwaveable entrees that satisfy the need for wholesome yet quick dinners. Meals such as vegetable lasagna, and pasta primavera are excellent choices for the busy family."

He says that his company is even planning frozen entrees that are kosher for Passover. "That will certainly be a break for those who are tired of bringing matzoh and butter to work every day of Passover. Those who have a microwave in the office will be thrilled to have a hot meal."

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# Expands to shuls

# Rachel's reaches new heights

Rachel's Catering, a COR-supervised glatt kosher take-out and catering business, has branched out to even loftier heights.

They have recently become the caterer at Pride of Israel synagogue - and they are bursting with pride about it.

Rachel and Joe Halawani "want to thank the board and catering committee of Pride of Israel for choosing us as their caterer, and giving us the chance to be number one in the city."

They have even come up with a snappy new logo, incorporating the number 10 — also meaning the best, says Joe with a twinkle.

The synagogue hall, which holds 350, allowing dancing space, has been newly renovated and updated.

There are still some openings for simchas, Joe says, suggesting people call and book while there is still time.

Rachel's and the synagogue are offering a new feature for organizations that use their facilities.

Besides waiving a fee for the hall, they will donate to your organization or a charity of your choice $10 for every lunch or dinner ordered.

Suggested menus, at 25, 30 or 40 dollars, include an appetizer, salad, entree, two side dishes, dessert and coffee.

Special bris menus are available too, also at no charge for the hall.

Rachel's is not neglecting its other services.

Its store at 243 Wilmington Ave. in the Bathurst Manor Plaza continues to have a large selection of prepared foods, Sephardi and international cuisine, from Greek, to Italian to French to Chinese.

Try their chicken knishes, tabbouli, cabbage rolls, and numerous delectable salads, cole slaw, Israeli salad, cucumber and mushroom.

Their food is also available in many stores around town, including Food City, Loblaws and Nortown.

They also prepare food for hospitals, hotels, and private parties as well as frozen meals for people to take with them on holidays.

They are in the process of planning a special menu that will be available for Shabbatons, at what they promise will be a super price.

Their Passover menu, which will be provided from the Wilmington store, is a knockout.

Order from a fixed menu, for, and this is unusual, four people and up, or a la carte. Offerings include a whole poached salmon, chicken with orange or vegetable, potato anna, kugels, salads, crepes, and chicken soup.

For Passover, they also offer mandelbroit, frozen lemon torte, chocolate fudge cake or a hazelnut mocha log.

For more information, or to order, call Rachel's catering at 633-6661.

# Perl's prepared foods like home cooking

Ready-made kosher foods that taste just like home-style cooking is only one of the reasons Perl's Kosher Meats at 3015 Bathurst St. near Lawrence and 7700 Bathurst St. in Thornhill is so popular.

"There is a big difference between commercial cooking and home-style cooking and at Perl's it is not commercial at all," says Yossi Sahar, manager of the Thornhill store.

He explains that when cooking commercially for hundreds of people it is usually necessary to use preservatives. "We do not use any preservatives or MSG at all. Our food tastes just like it would if it came out of your kitchen. Some of the favorite prepared foods include sweet and sour meatballs, pepper steak, roast chicken, fried rice and several kinds of soups. Take them home, serve them on your own plates and everyone will think you cooked it yourself," he laughs.

He says that because so many women have entered the workforce, prepared foods have become very popular. "Many women just do not have the time to cook full dinners when they come home from work and especially on Friday nights they like to have a nice meal for their family. The prepared foods really fit the bill — it's homestyle cooking, quite healthy and takes no time at all."

He adds that their deli foods such as knishes, kishka, and cold cuts make wonderful last minute party food. "We even have vegetable platters that keep guests munching away happily."

Sahar says that catering is a large part of Perl's business and he suggests calling about one week ahead for a large party or a few days ahead for a smaller party. "We prepare the hot foods of your choice, deliver it and have it ready for the hosts to pop in the oven. Tell us what type of party you are having and we can suggest what type of foods you may want to serve."

Office functions are another of Perl's specialties and Sahar says the store can prepare sandwiches and vegetable platters and have them delivered for luncheon meetings. "We also supply staff lunches for factories."

New to Perl's since the Thornhill store opened seven months ago, is the fish market close by that location. "Since more and more people have been sticking to a lower fat diet, fish has become quite popular. We sell all kinds of raw fish and some cooked varieties. Both types are selling quite well."

To accommodate those looking for a lower fat diet Perl's will take requests for special orders. "We can prepare such things as lean ground chicken and we also have a variety of raw and cooked low fat cuts such as boneless chicken breasts, sliced turkey and barbeque chicken."

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# Food City store nurtures local market

The kosher foods department in the Clark and Hilda Food City has made this supermarket unique in Canada, and possibly in North America. It is the only full-line supermarket with a glatt kosher meat department and deli and kosher bakery.

Owned and operated by Oshawa Foods, a division of giant food distributor Oshawa Group Limited, the 36,700 square-feet Clark and Hilda unit, which opened five years ago, is one of the flagship stores in the Food City chain and the kosher department has contributed immeasurably to making this so, according to Sam Crystal, Oshawa Group spokesman.

"Usually it takes a year or two for a new supermarket to build up to its sales potential," Crystal said. "With Clark and Hilda Food City it was almost instantaneous. We believe this was in large part due to the care and attention given to providing the total food needs of observant Jewish consumers, many of whom live in the area."

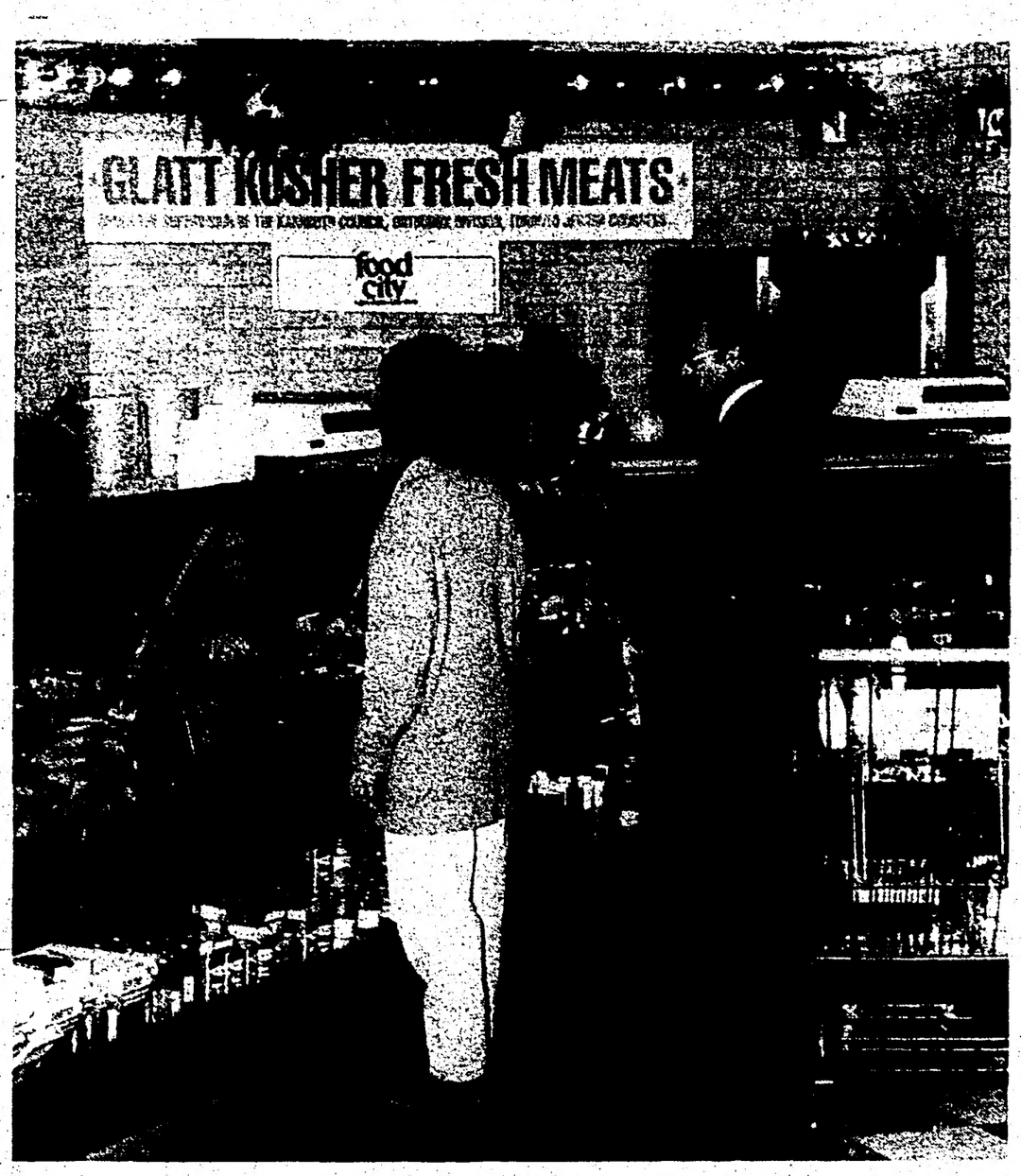
Under the constant supervision of the Vaad Hakushruth of Toronto Jewish Congress, the Kosher departments have been a significant draw to the store since it opened. From the beginning, only Cholav Yisroel dairy products were used in baking.

'But it took several years before an assured source of supply could be arranged in order to upgrade the meat department to glatt kosher. This was a significant development in making the kosher department acceptable to many observant Jewish customers," Crystal said. "This has been our objective from the beginning but an assured glatt kosher meat supply just wasn't available at first."

Today, in addition to meat, deli and bakery, the kosher foods section includes fresh fish, prepared foods, dairy products, frozen foods, even pizza. There are also two full aisles of kosher packaged foods, mostly imported from Israel and the United States. Prior to Passover, Clark and Hilda Food City has one of the broadest varieties of Kosher for Passover foods in Canada.

Recently the fresh fruit and vegetable section was enlarged and currently there are 4,200 square feet of fresh produce on display.

Manager of the store is Loris Gaiotto.

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# Milk 'N Honey's a real milchiks haven

Milk 'N Honey, a kosher dairy restaurant located at 3457 Bathurst St. between Wilson and Lawrence, prides itself on its quality and freshness of food and its full, courteous service.

Owner Moshe Zombek says that because it is a full service restaurant he can easily accommodate short-notice catering. "We are open and cooking six days a week and on Saturday nights in the winter, so we are always prepared for a last minute phone call."

He says that when catering an event, customers have the advantage of dealing with a separate catering staff who can give them all the time and advice they need. "We can suggest menu items and even give samples if a customer is unsure. A nice thing to do is come into the restaurant and order the meal you are thinking of serving your guests. Then there are really no surprises."

He adds that customers can also use part of or all of the restaurant for their parties.

Fairly new at Milk 'N Honey is the all-you-can-eat soup and salad bar with 21 items that includes eggplant salads, pasta salad and waldorf salad. "It's really not your regular vegetable and six different types of dressing salad bar."

He says that meat and potatoes type of people have been thrilled with Milk 'N Honey's own version of spaghetti and meat balls, cabbage rolls, hamburgers and even cheeseburgers. "Our soya burgers have satisfied even the most confirmed meat eater."

As for desserts, Zombek says that he is famous for his cheesecakes but for those looking for low-fat lighter meals he is embarking on some new menu items. "We are working with a dietician in order to develop some low-salt and calorie-restricted items for those customers so inclined. We want everyone to be able to dine in our restaurant and have the peace of mind that they are sticking to their own diet."

He stresses that all food at the restaurant is fresh daily. "Our fruits and vegetables are fresh, our bread is bought daily and our fish is never frozen. Our customers are assured of getting a good, quality fresh meal no matter when they come in."

Zombek says that Milk 'N Honey is a great place to bring your kids with a separate children's menu full of kiddie delights such as fish and chips, fish fingers, macaroni and cheese and pancakes. "At the same time however, we encourage business people to have small meetings at the restaurant. We try to separate a few tables and put up reserved signs so the meeting can take place in relative privacy."

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The Glasgow-born caterer sees as his mandate "to provide upscale kosher delicacies."

And that's just what he does, from his open-kitchen concept facilities (he likes to use the industry term of "commissary" kitchen) at 1895 Leslie Street.

Besides being the official caterer of Beth Tikvah and Beth David B'nai Israel Beth Am synagogues, he is extensively involved in inflight food services for airlines, corporate functions, hospitals and other institutions, and nursing homes.

He does private house parties, provides take-out from his Leslie St. kitchen, and will bring fully sealed complete meals to hotel functions or events for kosher guests. And those meals are just as elegant and appetizing as the regular fare.

"No job is too small," Graben says. "It will always have the same standard of quality, service and taste."

Graben offers a complete package, when he caters an affair, including dishes, cutlery, glasses, waitresses, everything. "The only thing the hostess has to do is to get dressed."

A continuing special feature is five fixed price menus, at $18 per person. One example includes zucchini soup, 4 leaf walnut salad, salmon teriyaki, seasonal vegetables, rice pilaf, and chocolate raspberry torte for dessert.

Another special is trays of party sandwiches at $5.95 per dozen, minimum four dozen order, when ordered with any additional order.

Graben has his own bakery on the premises, where staff prepare luscious desserts, pastries and specialties for weddings, birthdays, and special occasions. A frozen lemon cake with meringue topping is incredible.

Of course, Graben says, his aim is to make the customers happy, so he creates menus and dishes to accommodate any occasion and price range.

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In 1980 the company moved to a large, modern facility in Etobicoke. Then in 1987, Astro doubled the size of the plant to 84,000 sq. ft. to meet growing consumer demand.

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# Strub's sour dills still a star attraction

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This family founded and operated business has been selling dynamite pickle products for four generations, since Sophie and Michael Strub started making Sophie's special recipe for dill pickles in her Hamilton kitchen in 1921.

She brought the recipe from the Ukraine.

An instant hit, the pungent brine pickle operation moved to a small area at the back of a Dundas, Ont. warehouse in the early 1940s — at a nickle a piece from a giant wooden barrel.

In 1956, the company moved to a larger plant, also in Dundas.

Strub's pickles are still made in giant wooden barrels, but now from a new processing plant in Brantford, which was designed expressly for their needs.

The 50,000 square foot plant sets an industry standard for refrigerated pickle production. As well, marketing manager Arnold Strub says, it gives the company lots of room to grow.

The star of their line has to be their kosher style sour pickle, still from the same recipie, made the same way, with lots of dill, garlic and other spices.

Strub explained that when the pickles are ready, they are put in jars, and the same brine in which they were pickled is put back in.

"That's why a great jar of pickles is cloudy — that's how you know you have the real thing."

New dills, he said, another popular product, are known as ½ sour.

Their product line has continued to grow, and now includes a wide range of kosher products: horseradish, hot mixed pickles, dill tomatoes, sweet pimento, herring and sauerkraut.

Recent additions to their lines are garden fresh dill pickles and tzatziki, a yogurt-based cucumber and garlic dip and spread.

Their products are distributed to independent stores in Toronto by M.R. Sales. They are also available in all the major supermarket chains, in restaurants and other kosher establishments all across Canada.

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# Constellation provides a timely elegance

The food is delicious and the party is elegant when it is held at the Regal Constellation Hotel on 900 Dixon Road.

The Regal Constellation boasts a full kosher kitchen with facilities for 100 or more guests. "We have our own chefs that prepare the kosher dinner but if clients prefer they can rent our hall and our service staff and bring in their own kosher caterer," says Joe Kneen, director of marketing for the hotel.

Kneen says that hosts opting for the hotel's own chefs will not be disappointed with their choice. "The kitchen is a training kitchen with chefs learning under the supervision of Joseph Von Lanthen, who has been with the hotel for 20 years. Because it is a learning centre, the food tends to be very creative and beautifully prepared. All ingredients are fresh and they try to make as much as they can on the premises. "Even the mayonnaise is home-made."

He adds that as in all learning centres, work tends to be experimental and carefully done so that students get as extensive a learning situation as possible. "In this way we get a large variety of foods that are carefully tested over and over before they even reach the dining room."

Kneen says that light, low-fat meals are the norm these days and the Constellation is in the forefront with many varieties of chicken, veal and fish. "Traditional meals are still popular however, and many people are choosing such main courses as beef rolls and standing rib roasts. We do create many desserts here from low fat fruits to chocolate and cream desserts but many of our baked goods and all our bread is bought from local kosher bakeries."

Kneen says that when deciding on a meal for their affair, clients can choose from the hotel's own extensive menu or "within reason, they can decide on their own menu. We can prepare any type of food with ingredients that can be bought or made locally. After an affair is booked, clients come in and together we work out the best type of menu for the party they have in mind."

As for the ballrooms, Kneen says that the Constellation has two large rooms with 20,000 and 15,000 square feet and two rooms for smaller parties. "In an atrium outside the ballrooms there are two skylights which open to allow in natural light. This way, even in the winter, we can simulate an outdoors wedding. It really creates a romantic, old-fashioned-type ceremony. The guests and the wedding party are always thrilled."

Kneen says that at the Regal Constellation, the bottom line is fresh food, prepared creatively and served with a smile. "Our executive director of catering, Wade Hoo Fatt, has extensive experience in making sure that clients are happy with their whole experience at our hotel from the first phone call until the last guest leaves."

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There are various degrees of kashrut in regards to meat. Some people consider the designation "kasher" to be sufficient criterion for permitting the consumption of meat. However, the Shulchan Aruch (Yoreh Deah) explains that a person who is careful to observe the laws of kashrut will choose to eat meat which is deemed "glatt kosher" to use the Yiddish term, or "chalak," as it is called in Hebrew.

These aforementioned terms attest to the healthy lungs of an animal observed during the internal examination of the organs (bedika) following the ritual slaughter (shechita).

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# Ideal kosher animal

# Dzaldov's baskets say it all

With the help of Baskets n' Stuf you can say happy birthday, welcome a new baby, wish someone a speedy recovery or celebrate a special anniversary.

Nili Dzaldov, owner of Baskets n' Stuf, located at 6211 Bathurst St. at Steeles, says that she specializes in creating unique baskets that are designed exclusively for the recipient in mind. "For a baby gift, instead of your traditional basket, we could take a carriage, cradle or wagon and fill it with such baby items as an outfit, stuffed animal, baby toy or child's book. We've even taken a child's chair and decorated it with an outfit. Most people are also pleased to add something in the basket for the new mom."

She says that for an older child she has filled baskets with Blue Jay pajamas, magazines, sports cards and kosher treats. "For a child who is ill, whether at home or in the hospital, nothing cheers them up more than a basket of goodies that is geared specifically to their tastes. Imagine a little girl who loves stickers receiving a basket containing bright colorful stickers. If there are no diet restrictions, kosher jelly beans or lollipops certainly can't hurt. It's bound to cheer her up a little."

Dzaldov, who has been in business at that location for two years, says that holidays are a popular time to send baskets to family and friends. "For Purim we have taken a king's chair suitable for a doll and filled it with Purim treats. Our Passover baskets containing such things as chocolate matzah, wine or fresh fruits are strictly kosher for Passover and add an air of festivity to the seder table."

For Mother's Day, Dzaldov says she has created baskets to suit moms with a variety of tastes. "We can take a 'mom' mug and fill it with kosher candy, bath salts or any number of items. Those who like to cook have been thrilled with such items as gourmet spices, different types of sauces, pasta, or small kitchen gadgets that mom would never buy herself. A make-up bag filled with cologne or bubble bath is always a treat."

She says that in order to create a tailor-made basket, "all I need to know is a little bit about the recipient. Drop in or give me a call and tell me a little bit about the person in mind. What kind of sweets does she like? Is there any type of food he particularly likes? Also important are hobbies and interests. A baseball fan would love a Blue Jay t-shirt. Favorite colors are important because I can decorate the basket to suit the person's tastes."

As well as individual baskets, Dzaldov also caters to corporations, so if someone would like to send holiday baskets to each of his staff or clients, she can fill them with treats of his choice.

She says that individual tastes and budget are all that is needed to create a unique basket. "We arrange delivery all over the United States and Canada."

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# Mrs. Whyte's tops in getting into a pickle

What pickle lovers have known for a long time was finally confirmed in a "blind" taste-test of experts, chosen by the Toronto Star and the results of which were published in that newspaper on November 6, 1991.

Often well known brands of pickles, Mrs. Whyte's Original Brine Kosher Dill Pickles were awarded the highet score of all. A tribute to 56 years of pickling expertise.

Although Mrs. Whyte's products was founded in Montreal in 1936, its pickles, herring, peppers and horseradish have become family favorites in Toronto as well. Since the establishment of a permanent office and warehouse in the Toronto area, Mrs. Whyte's has become a well established member of the local kosher foods and Deli scene.

The company is headed by its 42 year old president, Simon Witenoff, the grandson of the original founders, Sam and Esther Witenoff.

From its humble beginnings in the 30's, Mrs. Whyte's now boasts the most varied array of pickled products in the country. From the Original Brine Kosher Dill Pickles, the company's first and most famous product, to its newest entries, Marinated Mushrooms and English Style Pickled Onions, Mrs. Whyte's leads the field in quality, customer service and innovation.

The Ontario division, headed by Bernard Poole, the company's national sales manager of many years, is divided into two sectors.

The retail side is led by Andre Griffith, a seasoned veteran and well known to local retailers. His accounts include Miracle Food Mart, A & P, Oshawa Foods, Sunnybrook Foods, Kosher City, Highland Farms, Loeb, Price Club, Daiter's and Nortown Foods. Andre also has several distributors on his team, including Supreme Foods which handles much of the kosher food trade in South Western Ontario.

David Boloten, sales director, has many years of experience in all aspects of the food service industry. His division is mainly concerned with restaurants, hotels, and institutions and to this end Boloten works with all the major food service distributors.

So from its beginnings in the family kitchen 56 years ago, Mrs. Whyte's has come a long way and continues to strive to reach new horizons. In the company's plans for the near future, besides expanding its markets in Quebec and Ontario, are a major sales effort in the United States under the direction of its Vice-President, Eric Walfish as well as a concerted effort across Canada in both the retail and food service areas.

The company is also looking overseas for pickle-lovers to satisfy. Mrs. Whyte's products have already been sold in Australia, Bermuda and England where its products will be featured in an up-coming Canadian food festival at Selfridge's in London.

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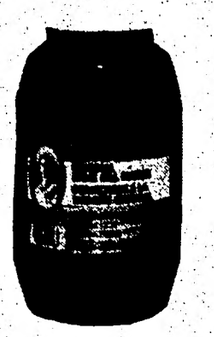

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# Billy Bee's buzzing with sweet products

Obviously, most people think of honey when they think of Billy Bee Honey, but the company has come up with two new products that may expand our thinking a bit.

Ralph Grossman, sales manager for Billy Bee, says that the new honey mustard and honey barbeque sauce now available in most stores have become quite popular. "The mustard can be used on hamburgers and hotdogs, as a dip or glaze and is excellent on cold cuts. The barbeque sauce can also be used as a dip, marinade or year-round to create an outdoor flavor in the oven."

Grossman says that all Billy Bee honey is 100 percent pure and is purchased directly from beekeepers, generally in western Canada which means that quality control can be maintained quite strictly. "The popular types of honey are clover, buckwheat, often used for baking, and orange blossom from Florida which has an orange flavor."

# Dairy Treats a delight any time of the day

For a European-style cafe/restaurant experience, run, don't walk, to Dairy Treats, 3522 Bathurst St.

The kosher (under COR), and cholov yisroel restaurant offers light meals, snacks and fuller menus.

Cooking breakast make you cringe? Try their daily breakfast special of eggs (cooked any way you like them), a bagel and coffee for $2.99.

A mind-boggling array of food is available for lunches — sandwiches, falafel, hummus, soups (French onion is incredibly good — thick and rich), fresh salads made daily, quiche, blintzes ("the best in the city," says the restaurant's Shlomo Esses) and Israeli bourekas.

The dinner menu adds fish and pasta selections, such as fettuccine alfredo, lasagna, and spaghetti.

All baking is done on the premises, and Esses is proud of the mouth-watering breakfast, cheese, chocolate or almond croissants, danishes and muffins.

For a real European touch, try Dairy Treat's cappucino or cafe au lait specialty coffees.

Catering for all occasions is also available.

## Exotic flavors

# Not Just Yogurt on menu

Low fat and good taste are the catchwords of Not Just Yogurt located at 800 Steeles Ave. W. in Thornhill.

Owner Azim Wali says that he sells low fat, no fat and no-sugar diet yogurt in 50 flavors including the traditional fruit flavors and the exotic ones such as caramel pecan pie, cheese cake and coconut cream pie.

A specialty of Not Just Yogurt are the children's birthday parties in which kids are not only served a yogurt birthday cake in a flavor of the birthday child's choice, they get to make their own yogurt sundae. "They really have a ball," says Wali.

In addition to yogurt, Wali sells hamburgers, sandwiches and french fries that are cooked by a hot air machine. "They taste like the traditional deep fried fries, but they are not fried at all. They're completely low fat."

He says that pies and birthday cakes can be ordered in a variety of flavors.

# Candy is *really* dandy

Looking for something different for your bar mitzvah, sweet sixteen or large party? Why not rent a candy floss, snowcone or popcorn machine from Kosher and Natural Foods at 3413 Bathurst St.?

Owner Jack Schnoll suggests dropping into the store as soon as the simcha plans are in the works and he will arrange the rental and delivery of the machines. "We even supply someone to run them so the hosts have no worries."

He adds that another party favorite is Kosher and Natural's candy sweet table filled with such delicacies as chocolates, licorice, nuts and lollipops. "Not only the kids love this sweet table, the adults flock to it at every party. It brings out the kids in them."

Schnoll says that if hosts want entertainment at the party such as a caricature artist, computer portraits or make-your-own-record machine he can help with referrals. "You tell us the type of entertainment you would like, and your budget and we will help work something out."

He notes that Kosher and Natural also has a huge selection of bulk candies, chocolates and nuts. "We'd be happy to make up gift baskets filled with candies, nuts and dried fruits of your choice.

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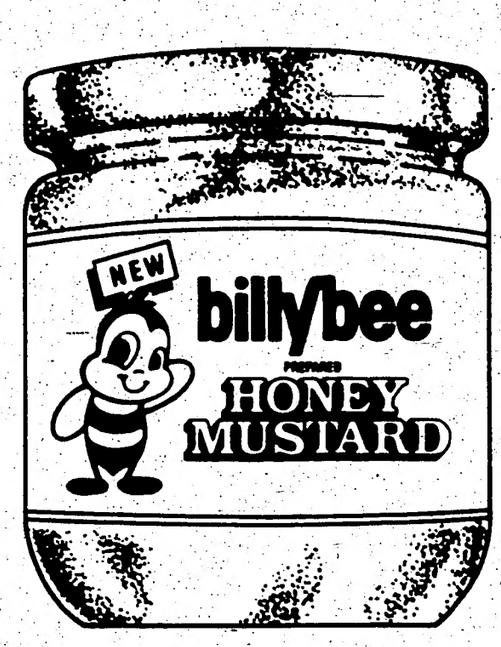

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# Entenmann's quality comes to town

They've been the pride of New York for almost 100 years, providing quality sweet baked goods at value prices. Today, their products are a household name from Miami to Los Angeles and most points in between. And now, Entenmann's corner bakery-style cakes, pies, doughnuts and cookies are available at select grocery stores in the Toronto area.

"The Entenmann's line offers our customers an extensive range of quality products, delivered fresh daily, at attractive prices — something which is new and exciting for our market," says Jerry Chizick, senior vice-president, Corporate Foods Ltd.

A selection from the vast array of more than 75 products, some of them unique to Entenmann's, will be available each day. A daily sampling could include: All Butter Pound Cake, Filled Chocolate Crumb Cake, Pecan Chocolate Chip Cookies, Cinnamon Filbert Ring, Cheese Crumb Babka, Pineapple Cheese Strudel, Apple Beehive Pie, Iced Devil's Food Cupcakes and Rich Frosted Chocolate Donuts. All products are priced in the $3 to $5 range.

*Entenmann's display tables look nearly as appetizing as the cakes, pies doughnuts and other goodies they offer.*

## Sweet baked goods

Entenmann's has also proved that you can now have your cake and eat it too. All of Entenmann's sweet baked goods contain the finest quality ingredients like Grade A butter, homemade chocolate, fresh eggs and Golden Delicious apples grown in their own orchards. The products are certified kosher, with no use of animal fats.

Entenmann's has developed a very loyal following that spans generations. The products are suitable for all eating occasions, whether it be breakfast, lunch, supper or as an indulgent snack," adds Chizick. "Snowbirds travelling south in the winter and Americans living in Canada call it the 'Entenmann's Experience,' meaning once you try it you're hooked. In fact, it is not uncommon for Canadians returning from holidays in the United States to bring home a "stash" of Entenmann's products to tide them over until the next visit."

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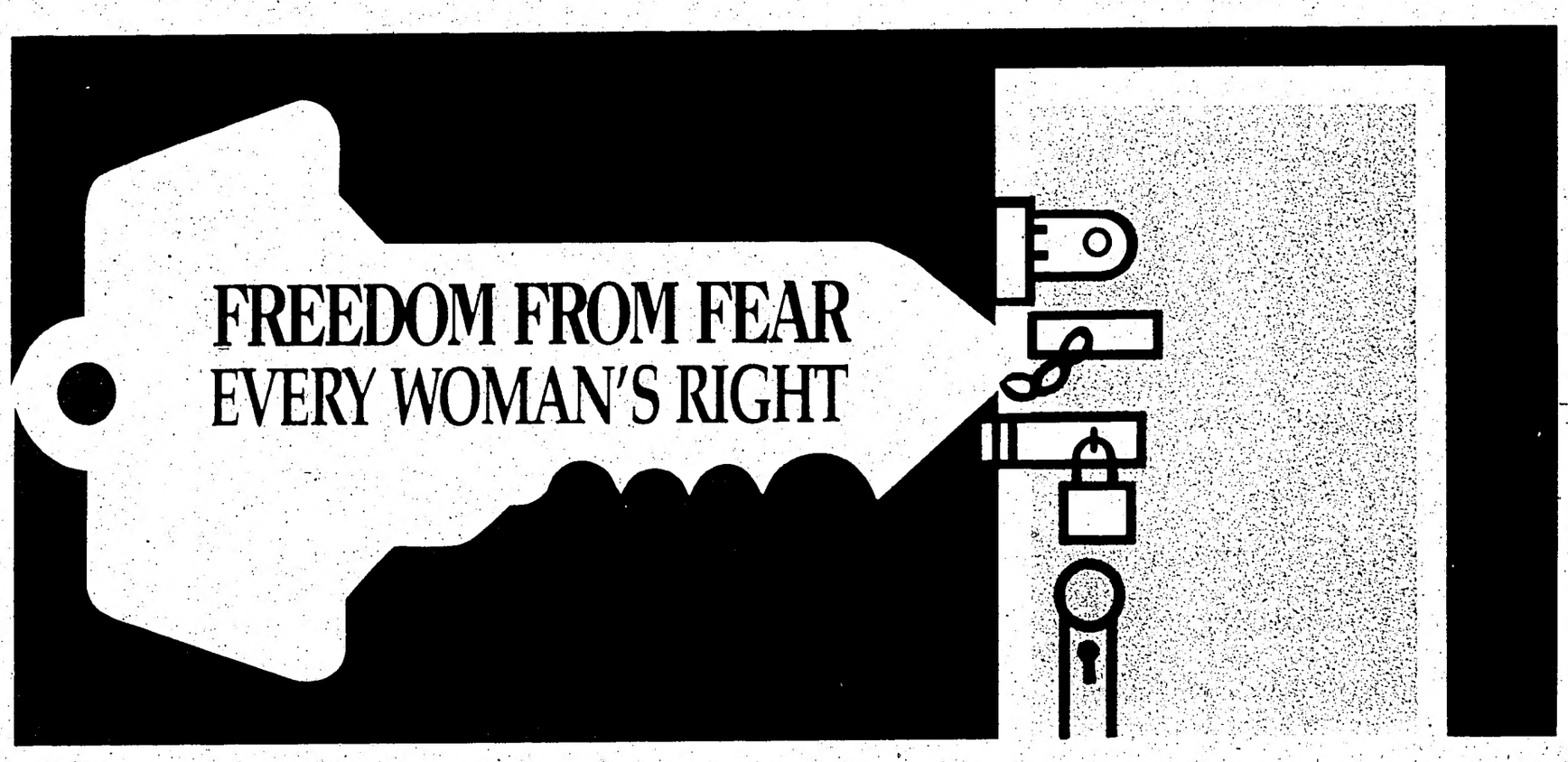


# Responding to Violence Against Women

## An Open Forum for Men & Women

## TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1992

## Adath Israel Synagogue 7:30 p.m.

(Details inside)


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# FREEDOM FROM FEAR IS EVERY WOMAN'S RIGHT

The fear of violence against women and of those responsible is pervasive. It is an issue that affects every woman's life. Everywhere you turn and in every newspaper you read, there is another victim and another story about the crimes against women.

According to the Canadian Centre for Justice Statistics, in 1990, 234 women were victims of homicide in Canada. Thousands of other women were injured either physically, emotionally or both, by sexual and physical assaults and harassment. In fact, a parliamentary sub-committee report states that a sexual assault is committed every 17 minutes in Canada. Ninety percent of the victims are women.

Over half of all sexual assaults take place in public places. Fifty-six percent of Canadian women living in cities feel unsafe when walking alone after dark in their own neighborhoods, in the work-place, on college campuses, in dating relationships and in relationships with trusted professionals. Violence occurs everywhere. No one is free from the fear of attack.

While freedom from the fear of violence is **every woman's** right, ending violence against women is **everyone's** concern and responsibility. Jews and non-Jews, women and men, young and old alike, are all part of the solution to creating a violence-free world.

Groups such as the Metro Action Committee on Public Violence Against Women and Children (METRAC), the Ontario Women's Directorate, Metro Men Against Violence, the federally appointed Canadian Panel on Violence Against Women and, of course, our own Jewish Family and Child Service are all working toward the common goal to create a world where there is zero tolerance of violence.

The Social & Political Action Committee (S&P) of JWF, whose mandate is to educate the community on current social and political issues of concern to Jewish women, is taking a leadership stance on this subject. This year, S&P's annual program will deal with the issues surrounding violence against women in a forum called "**Freedom From Fear: Every Woman's Right.**"

## CLASS LEARNS SELF-PROTECTION TECHNIQUES

*Debbie Parent of Rape Crisis Centre leads first of three JWF Social and Political Action Committee workshops dealing with violence against women. Presentation included a Wen-Do demonstration.*

Scheduled for **Tuesday, April 28, 1992** at **7:30 p.m.**, at **Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave.**, **Freedom From Fear** will feature an impressive panel of speakers:

- ★ Linda Silver Dranoff, lawyer and women's rights activist, will address the judicial system's impact on violence against women;
- ★ Ron Sluser, member of Metro Men Against Violence, will explore how men's attitudes can perpetuate anti-female violence as well as assist in overcoming violence;
- ★ Connie Guberman of METRAC will focus on urban safety and the various solutions being implemented;
- ★ Lucy Van Wick of Jewish Family and Child Service will address violence against women from the Jewish perspective;
  and
- ★ June Callwood, author, journalist and broadcaster will moderate the panel.

Panel members will examine the sociological and historical background of violence against women by looking at root causes, trends, facts and myths that surround this issue. They will explain what government, social service agencies, the police force and others are doing to protect women. Finally, they will empower you to learn how to protect yourself.

Freedom to walk the streets at night. Freedom from being abused at home. Freedom from physical, sexual and psychological violence in any form is every woman's right. Hear what the experts have to say on how to achieve this goal.

## A FORUM ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN

**"Freedom From Fear: Every Woman's Right"**

**Tuesday, April 28, 1992**
**7:30 p.m.**

A program for men and women.
Open to the community.
Admission is $5.00

**For further information, please contact the Jewish Women's Federation office at 635-2883 ext. 174.**

# DAZZLING ACCOMPLISHMENTS MAKE NEW JWF/UJA WOMEN'S CAMPAIGN LEADERS EXCEPTIONAL

**Louise Cornblum**

At nominations time, JWF is fortunate to have a choice of trained and capable leaders from its 51 affiliates. This year we have installed two remarkable women — **Bev Holtzman** as JWF President and **Lorraine Sandler** as Women's Campaign Chairman.

Bev Holtzman is a dietitian (R.P.Dt.), a graduate of U of T, who became involved with community work as a teenage Mount Sinai volunteer. In fact, her volunteerism affected her choice of career.

After her marriage to Sam, 30 years ago, Bev moved into the community with full force, beginning as a canvasser for UJA, and advancing to associate chairmanships of various areas. Eventually, her involvement with UJA led her to JWF. At that time, also, she joined National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), Toronto Section and eventually rose to become a member of its Board.

As might be expected, when her son, Allan, 25, and her daughter, Jennifer, 21, attended Associated Hebrew Schools, she was a member of the Board and Executive of the Parents' Association. Ever since she joined Beth Tikvah Synagogue, she has served on the Sisterhood Executive.

Bev's strong identification with Israel has led her to visit there often. In November, 1990, Bev and Sam travelled there with a UJA mission. Depressed at having to leave an Israel that was deserted by tourists and friends, Bev went back six weeks later on a CJC mission, just to show solidarity. She returned to Toronto only six days before the Gulf War erupted.

Bev and Sam have instilled their own Zionist ideals in their children, particularly involving their family with Beit Halochem.

Bev believes that, although each organization has its own agenda and goals, it is important to learn from one another and to pull together as a community to accomplish more.

Lorraine Sandler came to Toronto 16 years ago from South Africa. Born in Zimbabwe, she attended Teachers' College in Cape Town and has been a teacher for 29 years.

Lorraine has been a committed Zionist from the age of six. The Habonim Youth Movement was the focus of her childhood and early adult years and fostered her passion for Israel.

After her marriage to Allan in Cape Town, 28 years ago, she joined NCJW, where she soon rose to leadership positions, and she played an active role on Cape Town's UIA — their counterpart of our UJA.

Jewish education, among the 32,000 Jews of Cape Town, was experiencing a major growth spurt. She developed children's workshops in the day school and her fundraising expertise was put to use when she and her husband ran Cape Town's largest bazaar, Hertzlia Fete, to raise money for the day school movement.

Lorraine also played a significant role in educating underprivileged children in the black townships. She set up pre-school programs, then trained black mothers to expand and manage the programs themselves.

Since her arrival in Canada, Lorraine has focused again on Jewish education. Her positions with UJA here have included Super Sunday and UJA Night chairmanships. She is an executive member of the Jewish Federation of Greater Toronto, of UJA, and a Board member of CJC and JF&CS. Lorraine was co-chairman of the last CJC Plenary, Ontario Region.

She has two children, Robert, 25, and Ian, 23, and, for the past 10 years, has been principal of the Holy Blossom Temple Pre-School.

The UJA Chair is the right place for a woman who dreams of an ideal world where every Jewish family is committed to UJA and the ideals of tzedekah. South Africa's loss...

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# WOMEN'S CAMPAIGN SURPASSES ALL GOALS!

This has truly been an extraordinary year. Despite the horrors of the Scud missiles during the Gulf War, Jews worldwide rose to meet the challenge of Operation Shlomo. While sustaining the ongoing miracle of Operation Exodus...140,000 Soviets arrived in Israel during 1991.

We, the women of Toronto, shared in these accomplishments through our support of the UJA campaign. I am pleased to report that Women's Campaign has surpassed all of its goals. We have raised $4.7 million, an incredible success in these recessionary times! In addition, we have also laid a firm foundation for future growth and development. We have reached out to new donors, nurtured new volunteers and leadership, and provided stimulating educational programs.

These successes were made possible through the efforts of many board members, committee members, canvassers, donors and professional staff. Todah rabah to all of you on behalf of those who will benefit from your caring. A special thank you to my Executive — **Didi Urbach**, **Lorraine Sandler**, **Elaine Fink**, **Sheila Lancit** and **Anita Shore** — for

# IN TOUCH CALENDAR IN TOUCH

## MARCH

**11** Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlecraft, **Chinese Tiger Hats from the Museum for Textiles**, Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St., 8:00 p.m., Harriet Liebmann 222-7292

**12** B'nai Brith Women, **"Sexual Harassment - What Is It? and How Do We Deal With It As Employers/Employees"**, Speakers - Alan Shefman, Director of Education & Communication for Ontario Human Rights Commission, Malcolm Mackillop, Management Counsel, Borden & Elliot, Cindy Wilkey, Defense Lawyer, Cornish, Roland, City of North York Council Chambers, lower floor, 5100 Yonge St., 7:15 p.m., $5.00, BBW Canada office 630-9313

**19** **PURIM**

**22** Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue Sisterhood, **Tea and Fashion Show** by Carlin Enterprises, Social Hall, 3600 Bathurst St., 1:30 p.m., Sharon 787-1631

**24** Adath Israel Sisterhood, General Meeting **"Exposing the Myths of Weight Loss Programs"**, Dr. J. Lefebre M.D. F.R.C.P. (c), 37 Southbourne Ave., 8:00 p.m., Isabel Schnapp 497-2368

**25** Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood, **Pesach Cooking Demonstration** with Sue Devor, 1950 Bathurst St., 7:30 p.m., 789-3291

**25** Women's League for Conservative Judaism, **"Keeping Our Traditional Values in a Changing World"**, a panel discussion, Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave. 8:00 p.m., Marlene White 731-2515, Jean Bernholtz 787-9039

**26** Jewish Women's Federation, **"Value of Women's Work"**, speakers, Rabbi Elyse Goldstein, Rachel Schlesinger, Lipa Green Building, 4600 Bathurst Street, 7:30 p.m., Glenda 635-2883 ext. 135

**29** Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue Sisterhood **Pesach Cookery Demonstration**, Apter Hall, 3600 Bathurst St., 10:00 a.m., Sharon 787-1631

## APRIL

**1** Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood, **Fashion Show** with Edith's Fashions & Einhorn Fashion Furs Inc., 100 Elder St., Boutiques 7:00 p.m., Show 8:00 p.m., office 633-3838

**2** B'nai Brith Women, **Installation of Officers**, Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., 7:00 p.m., Sherry Lieberman 889-9178

**8** Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlecraft, **Stitch the First Fruit and Veggies** with Haya Nativ, Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St., 8:00 p.m., Harriet Liebmann 222-7292

**9** Dysautonomia Foundation Inc., **"The Therapeutic Effects Of Laughter"**, Speaker, Dr. Mel Borins, Temple Sinai Cong., 210 Wilson Ave., 8:00 p.m., Bertha Lapidus 633-6747, Tova Israeli 256-3197

**18-25** **PASSOVER**

**22** Temple Har Zion Sisterhood, **Seder for Jewish Residents at Extendicare**, Steeles Ave & Leslie, 6:00 p.m., Trudy Liberman 512-1606

**26** Adath Israel Sisterhood, **Annual Rosalynd Smith Memorial Lecture**, Speaker, Prof. Peter Solomon, 37 Southbourne Ave., 8:00 p.m., Helen Eisenstat 783-6545

**27** Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Sisterhood, **Holocaust Commemoration**, Speaker Selma Sage, Arbuck Hall, 100 Elder St., 8:00 p.m., office 633-3838

**27** Beth Tikvah Sisterhood **Sale into Spring** "A Shopping Event", 3080 Bayview, 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., Renee 225-6600, Doreen 223-0672

**28** Jewish Women's Federation, **"Freedom From Fear: Every Woman's Right"**, speakers, — Linda Silver Dranoff, Ron Sluser, Connie Guberman, Lucy Van Wick and moderator June Callwood, Adath Israel Synagogue, 37 Southbourne Ave., 7:30 p.m., Judith 635-2883 ext. 174

**29** Holocaust Remembrance Committee, **Yom Hashoah Commemoration Service**, Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., 7:30 p.m., Pnina Spetgang 635-2883 ext. 153

**30** Beth Torah Sisterhood, **Holocaust Program**, 47 Glenbrook Ave., 8:00 p.m., Jack Kates 783-8194

## MAY

**3** Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue Sisterhood, **"Senior Care"**, Speaker, Selma Taylor, Apter Hall, 3600 Bathurst St., 10:00 a.m., Sharon 787-1631

**3** B'nai Brith Women, **Spring Bazaar '92**, St. Lawrence Market, Front St., 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m., Barbara Allentoff 294-0800

**4** Beth Torah Sisterhood, **"Flight To Israel,"** contact Marnie Toben 787-0982

**5** Temple Har Zion Sisterhood, **"Shirley Valentine"**, Theatre Night at St. Lawrence Centre, 27 Front St. E., Carol Austin 881-6450

**6** Toronto Hadassah-WIZO, **Youth Aliyah Luncheon**, Speaker, Beverly Sills, Toronto Mariott Eaton Centre, 12:00 noon, Judy Winberg 789-4373

**6** **YOM HAZIKARON**

**7** **YOM HA'ATZMAUT**

**13-14** Women's League For Conservative Judaism, **Spring Conference**, consultant - Matlee Yadin, Beth Sholom Synagogue, 1445 Eglinton Ave. W., May 13, 5:30 p.m., May 14th 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Rachel Kerbel 783-9507, Marilyn Cohen 223-2955, Margo Grosbein 633-1796

**20-24** Canadian Jewish Congress Plenary, **"Confronting the Future: Let Your Voice Be Heard"**, Regal Constellation Hotel, Joyce Levine 635-2883 ext. 251

**20** Holy Blossom Temple Sisterhood, **Dorothy Lipovenko** of the Globe and Mail, 1950 Bathurst St., 8:00 p.m., Karen 444-6418

**21** **LAG B'OMER**

**31** United Jewish Appeal, **Walk For Israel**, Bathurst & Earl Bales, 7:30 a.m., Pearl 635-2883 ext. 514

**31** Shaar Shalom Sisterhood, **Annual Bazaar**, 2 Simonston Blvd., Thornhill, 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Barbara 889-0751, shul office 889-4975

## JUNE

**4** B'nai Brith Women, **Cash Elimination Draw**, Tickets $36.00, 1st prize $1500, Beth Tikvah Synagogue, 3080 Bayview Ave., 9:00 p.m., Linda Mendelsohn 787-6458

**7** Temple Har Zion Sisterhood, **Shavuot Service - Sisterhood Bat Mitzvah**, 7360 Bayview Ave., 10:00 a.m., Joanne Fisher 731-3092

**7-8** **SHAVUOT**

**10** Pomegranate Guild of Judaic Needlecraft, **Annual Show and Share**, Holy Blossom Temple, 1950 Bathurst St., Harriet Liebmann 222-7292

**10** Na'amat, **Adopt-A-Child Dinner**, Beth David Synagogue, Honorees Doreen and Ben Wicks

**14** Shaarei Tefillah Synagogue Sisterhood, **"Soviet Jewry"**, Speaker, Marsha Slavens, Apter Apter Hall, 3600 Bathurst St., 10:00 a.m., Sharon 787-1631

**23** Mount Sinai Hospital Auxiliary, **Gala Benefit Evening**, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat", Elgin Theatre, 189 Yonge St., 7:00 p.m., Irene Geras 586-8290

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The JCC Bloor 'Y' Branch is happy to announce that "Centrefest" is back! The theme will be "Just in Jest", a celebration of humour. A whole week of fun will begin with the Purim Carnival and Arts and Crafts Sale on Sunday, March 22nd, and end with "Vaudeville on Bloor" a show featuring three AAA comics that takes place in the auditorium on Saturday, March 28th, at 9 P.M.. For more information, call Luni at 924-6211.

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Toronto's Dysautonomia Foundation has recently entered into a formal contract with Massachusets General Hospital (Harvard) to undertake, at their Neurogenics Laboratory, genetic research to develop a pre-natal diagnosis and a carrier test for FD, to be funded by Toronto FD. This is a milestone for the ten-year-old organization.

There wasn't a dry eye in the house when the Toronto Na'amat Vocational High School was officially opened in Hadera, Israel, on January 7th. Toronto funding built the school which will give a second chance at a decent future to high school drop-outs, 270 each year! The ribbons were cut by Louise Cornblum, Campaign Chair, and Lorraine Levene, Toronto Director. It's not often you see a dream come true!

# HOLIDAY PROGRAMMING PROMOTES RUSSIAN INTEGRATION

The influx into Toronto of hundreds of Russians began about three years ago. Jewish Women's Federation resolved that the new arrivals should be welcomed into a caring community. This led to the creation of the JWF Russian Integration Committee (RIC), presently chaired by **Marlene Sklar**.

All holiday programming and special events are co-ordinated through the RIC. Each event is co-sponsored by a JWF Affiliate, the Community Integration Program and the Association of Soviet Jewry in Canada.

Over the past two years many exciting events have taken place. In the Fall, **B'nai Brith Women** co-sponsored a High Holiday program at Beth Tikvah Synagogue where over 80 newly arrived immigrants learned about the significance and tradition of the Holy Days. In addition, 30 Russian immigrants were invited to attend a musical concert and reception co-sponsored by the **Sisterhood of Beth Tikvah**.

In December, 300 Soviet Jewish children and their parents celebrated their first Chanukah in Canada. One party, held at the Jewish Community Centre, was organized by **Hadassah-WIZO Machar Chapter**. The second fun-filled party was sponsored by **National Council of Jewish Women - Toronto Section**. The program included a candle-lighting ceremony as well as a clown, musician, refreshments and loot bags for the children.

Successful, long-term integration for Soviet Jewish families rests in the hands of local Jews and Jewish organizations. Affiliate organizations are needed to co-sponsor several upcoming events including a musical evening, an Israel Independence Day celebration and other holiday programs. Please support this joint venture and help make the coming years successful ones for newcomers in the Jewish community.

For more information on how to co-sponsor an event, please contact **Marlene Sklar**, Chairman of the Russian Integration Committee, or Staff Associate **Roberta Newman** at 635-2883 ext. 213.

**AFFILIATES URGENTLY NEEDED**

**to co-sponsor holiday programs and celebrations for newly arrived Russian immigrants.**

For more information call Roberta 635-2883 ext. 213.

# SHALOM TORONTO

## A NETWORK OF GREETERS

*A program of the Jewish Women's Federation*

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WE ARE LOOKING FOR YOUR HELP:

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Roz Davidson

**Roz Davidson**
Immediate Past
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Pomegranate Guild, a unique cross-section of the community — pregnant women to great grandmas — is currently engaged in making a series of fabric-art murals for a hospital wing at Baycrest.

Temple Har Zion Sisterhood is taking action to help recession victims. Their Community Services Chairperson contacted Heintz Canada and arranged to have the company make regular monthly shipments of baby food to the North York food bank! This is in addition to regular collections of non-perishable food from their own members.

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# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

At the recent JWF Installation, held on March 9, I accepted both an honour and a challenge with my installation as the JWF President for the '92-'94 term. It is an honour for me to be associated with those women who have held this position in the past - **Judy Gwartz**, **Sheila Engel**, **Etty Danzig** and **Judy Noyek**. Their outstanding performance in leadership roles and their commitment to community service are highly respected in the Toronto Jewish community.

Judy Noyek now assumes the position of Immediate Past-President and chair of Presidents' Council of JWF. She is a hard act to follow. We praise her for her commitment, her leadership ability, her insight and her personal warmth. Most of all, we thank her for the positive image she set as a role model for the Jewish women of our community. Yasher koach, Judy and todah rabah for "a job well done"!

The challenge that I now accept, along with the new JWF Executive and Board, is to maintain the high standards that these women and their associates have set for our organization. It is with great pleasure that I introduce our three very capable and enthusiastic Vice-Presidents. **Helen Redner** will assume the responsibility for the Public Relations, Social & Political Action Portfolio, **Terri Weintraub** for the Leadership Development Portfolio, and **Elaine Fink** for Outreach and Orientation. Together with our committee chairs, they will provide our organization with the outstanding leadership that it has always known.

JWF acts as the "umbrella" organization for the Jewish Women's volunteer groups in Toronto. As we enter our eighth year, JWF includes 51 affiliate organizations representing over 20,000 women. Our goal is to educate, communicate and integrate through JWF programs, some of which are described in this issue of "In Touch". Our unique role as an "umbrella" serves as a network to unite groups of diverse cultural, religious and ideological backgrounds. Acting together as a unified force, with mutual respect and understanding, JWF is contributing to the continuity and quality of Jewish life in our community both in Toronto and Israel.

Speaking of future generations, we wish a hearty Mazel Tov to **Lisa Morrison**, our Director, on the birth of her daughter **Ariel Rachel**, a welcome addition to our ranks. We also welcome our new Staff Associate, **Lianne Sone**, who joined us in June.

*Pictured at the recent JWF Women's Campaign Installation are (left-right) Judy Noyek, Immediate Past JWF President, Beverley Holtzman, Current JWF President, Lorraine Sandler, 1993 UJA Women's Campaign Chairman, and Roz Davidson, Immediate Past Chairman.*

Beverley Holtzman

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President, Jewish Women's Federation

# BEING JEWISH MEANS THERE IS ALWAYS A HELPING HAND

World Jewry is sitting on the edge of pivotal and mythical times in history. An historic peace process is upon us. Within the past two years, nearly 400,000 olim have made their way to our ancient homeland, changing the demographic face of Israel forever. The recession that faces our community in Toronto is shaking the social fabric of which we have always been so proud.

As Jews, we will find within us the integrity and the resources to do whatever needs doing. One of the paradoxical comforts of being Jewish is the assurance that there are always other Jews to extend a helping hand. We are a human network linked through mutual responsibility. Our destiny as Jews is so inextricably intertwined that compassion for one another turns into an expression of self compassion.

UJA is the vehicle through which we direct this compassion. It is there to help those who may not be able to help themselves. I am proud to associate myself with UJA Women's Campaign and to define myself by those many special women who are appointed to our Board and who always do a superb job. They well know the mitzvah of tzedakah and ma'aser (a tithe).

I look with optimism towards the next year and to the pages of history that will be turned. I am grateful to have the support of **Debbie Kimel**, my working partner as Vice Chairman of Women's Campaign, and of three extremely capable portfolio coordinators, **Anita Shore**, **Barbara Bank** and **Marlene Axmith**.

Performing responsibly together during this time will impact indelibly on the quality of life for those who need us most, here and in Israel.

Lorraine Sandler

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Women's Campaign Chairman
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